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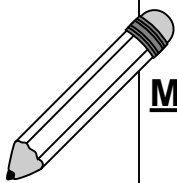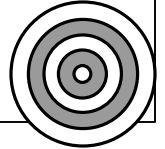
Discussion Web

Purpose: To critically analyze information based on prior knowledge and learning, and consider the input of others

Materials: poster paper, markers, paper, pencils

Procedure:
• Draw a circle in the middle of the poster paper and write a critical question in the middle of the circle.
• Divide students into pairs.
• With partners, students copy the circle and question on a paper, and then generate a pro and con web.
• Provide the anticipation guide to students.
• After sufficient time, students pass their webs to a group near them and add to the web they receive.
• Continue collaborating and rotating papers until students receive their own paper back.
• Generate a pro and con web on the poster paper as a class through discussion.

Modified from Alvermann, D. (1991). The discussion web: A graphic aid for learning across the curriculum. *The Reading Teacher*, *45,* 92-99.

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Topic: _____

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Cons