

Consensus Board

The Consensus Board helps students identify discussion issues for their next book club meeting. After a meeting, give each group a blank Consensus Board form. Ask them to spend 10 minutes recording their thoughts and personal connections to the novel. Then ask them to discuss what they have written with their group members. When they have finished sharing, ask them to reach a consensus about the one issue they wish to discuss during their next meeting. Ask them to write this issue in the central rectangle on the Consensus Board for ready reference later.

Use a marker to draw a Consensus Board on chart paper. You may need to adjust the number of large spaces to accommodate the number of students in a group.

