Assignment
Present for around ten minutes on the reading you and your partner signed up for.

Percentage of overall grade: 5%

Grade Mechanism: Pass/Fail

Requirements:
Your presentation should provide a brief summary of the main points of the text: highlighting elements of interest to class discussion. You must think of at least two discussion questions. Only one of you needs to present to get full marks for the both of you, but you may both present if you want to.

To present, I ask that you either produce some viewing material (a picture/slides/PDF) or keep your video on. This is to help other students in the class focus. SAYING THAT, you don’t need to spend a lot of time on the viewing material, and you really can just have your video on.

Guiding Questions to Use when Crafting Presentations:
1. What is or are the main claim(s) (conclusion) of this text?
2. What is the argument the author presents for their claim(s)? What reasons does the author give to believe what they say?
3. Are there any important concepts this text raises? What are they and why are they important?
4. Does the argument of this text have any important implications or consequences? If so, what are they?
5. Is there some argumentative “move” the author makes that you take issue with? Do they use a false premise? Is their reasoning unclear? Do they not foresee some serious objection? Do they assume something problematic?
6. Why is this text important? Sometimes the author “motivates the argument” by telling you why their text is important; sometimes you have to figure it out for yourself. Why should we care about this text’s topic or argument?
7. How do you think this text connects to the other text(s) we had to read for this week? Think about the other reading(s) for the week. What’s the connection? Why did the professor assign these texts together?
8. What questions or thoughts does the text raise for you? Note: this can develop into the discussion question(s) you raise. Is there something about the view that is still confusing? Does the view entail a troubling or interesting consequence? Is there some interesting connection you can make between this text and another class?