DISCUSSION #1

DEADLINES:
MUST HAVE PARTICIPATED AT LEAST ONCE BY Friday, Jan. 22nd at 11pm (CST)
ADDITIONAL PARTICIPATION DUE BY Friday, Feb. 5th at 11pm (CST)

Why would a person go to the theatre?
Do you think motion pictures are more popular than theatre? If so, why is that? If not, why is that? What do we use to determine and evaluate popularity? What roles do individual tastes play in evaluating that popularity? What roles does society play in evaluating that popularity? What changes or improvements would you suggest to increase the popularity of theatre?

There are many questions being asked above. Be sure to evaluate each part of the prompt in order to give depth and meaning to your exploration. We expect to see your own answers to these questions in an initial posting. Frequent participation is required. We expect to see multiple interactions with several ideas as well as comments on other postings. You will want to check back frequently to keep developing your thoughts and ideas in relation to other postings. Opinions and personal thoughts on the given subject are always a positive. A minimal initial posting will consist of at least a paragraph of answers (meaning several sentences).

Discussion forums are a chance to interact with your fellow students and instructors through a threaded, ongoing discussion. A successful grade on a discussion will be determined by:

1. The quality and depth of your postings
2. Interactions with more than one idea
3. Full and complete addressing of all questions asked in the prompt
4. Interaction with others’ posts
5. The number of submissions throughout the discussion period. Making several posts on the final day will have a negative impact on your grade.

Simply writing, "I agree with you" is NOT an example of a quality submission! Students participating with meaningful and complete postings at least 4 or 5 times throughout the forum have met with the most success.