

Dr Google: assessment/seminar-style questions

About Seminars: Along with lectures, seminars – smaller group sessions (5-20 students, approx. 45mins) – are the main teaching block on most undergraduate degrees. The point of seminars is to consider both the lectures you've seen, and the attached readings you'll have been assigned in greater detail. A lecturer will typically run a seminar as a group discussion around a set of questions given out in advance.

Seminar tips:

- Try to answer these questions with reference to the reading you've been set for the week – if possible using citations.
- Where you are asked to draw your own conclusions – make these clear, but also provide the evidence that you are basing them on.
- Where possible/relevant, separate your answers into sections that address each point of the question directly.

Example questions:

With reference to the idea of 'expert patients', critically discuss how the Web has changed the doctor-patient relationship

Evaluate the notion that 'cyberchondria' is a distinct form of health anxiety that emerged from Web use

Assess how online health communities have impacted on illness support and self-management –

Examine the idea that anti-vax movements online are responsible for re-emergence of preventable illnesses