Participation in Online Discussion Forums

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Did you participate in the discussion board? If yes, write down what made you to do so and if you have not participated, write down why you did not participate."

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Reasons for Participation	Reasons for Not Able to Participate
To get information/ knowledge	Forget username and password
Want to gain marks/point	Want to gain marks/point
Mandatory	Busy (with other assignments or work)
Want to be updated	No Internet access at home
Don't want to miss out	Prefer reading only
Know it will benefit him/herself	Forget of such task
Familiarity with environment	Don't understand question or no answer for
Want to share information	it
Might come out in exam	Answers already answered
Want to voice out opinion	Slow connection
	Forget URL
	Not sure what to do
	Don't think it is important
	Don't like to discuss because it's head-ache
	Others (confusion with other)