STATION 5 Essential Questions in Ibsen’s *A Doll’s House*

As we read Ibsen’s *A Doll’s House*, we will consider ideas about gender, love, marriage, and self-realization. First, answer these questions individually on a sheet of notebook paper. Then, discuss your answers with your group members.

1. What is your personal definition of freedom?
2. Do your responsibilities to others impede your rights as an individual?
3. What are our society’s expectations for mothers?
4. What are our society’s expectations for fathers?
5. Can a person contradict these expectations and still be a good mother or father?
6. Do society’s expectations prevent a parent’s growth as an *individual*?
7. Are society’s expectations of parents outdated in today’s world?
8. Does love require sacrifice?
9. How are children affected by their relationships with parents/guardians?
10. What kinds of experiences cause a person to understand him or herself more deeply?
11. When is it appropriate to challenge the beliefs of society?