Reflection Assignment

Creating a Community Across Difference: An Introduction to Dialogue

In preparation for your Intergroup Dialogue Project (IDP) Orientation Session, please complete the reading assignment for Creating a Community Across Difference: An Introduction to Dialogue.

In a 1-2-page reflection (double-spaced, 12 pt. font), please answer the questions below. You will be required to turn in your reflection at the start of your IDP orientation session.

1. Think of a time when you had a conflict or disagreement with someone.
   
   a. How would you characterize this interaction (i.e., Which zone were you in? Which zone was the other person in? Was it a dialogue? A debate? What, if any, aspects of dialogue were missing?)?

   b. How might this situation have been different if all the aspects of dialogue outlined in the reading were present?

   c. In what ways did this conflict propel you to confront your beliefs, and looking back, what was the most important thing you learned from the encounter?

   d. Engaging with different people, including those who may be challenging or difficult to interact with, is a typical part of learning as a college student. How might you use dialogue during your time at Cornell to facilitate your own learning and growth, even during challenging or difficult interactions?