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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

→ Thinking from different perspectives (i.e., colonisers + Plaves)

2a. I found the lecture and workshop(s) useful, thought-provoking, and relevant to my learning.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

→ understanding New-ri-ban history + culture

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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

→ E.g., how narratives and history can be revised and changed

4a. The lecture and workshop(s) have helped to prepare me for future assessments.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

→ Annotating in detail and considering symbolism of certain things (e.g., sea)

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

- very insightful discussions and receiving different perspective on colonialism

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

- useful context given around colonialism

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

- new facts I learn about colonialism in Mauritius

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

- critical thinking skills  
- learning how to elaborate on points + convey ideas

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- No improvements - thank you!! :)

Received some wonderful insights  
and new found knowledge.

Thank you again ❤️ :)



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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

The poems really had me thinking about the effects of colonialism and made me realise things I had never thought about.

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

I didn't previously think about the effects on nature.

4a. The lecture and workshop(s) have helped to prepare me for future assessments.

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

My subjects don't particularly relate to this subject, but nevertheless, I found it extremely interesting.

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Idea of looking beyond memoirs and putting yourself in the context of the time and relating the context to the events helps a deeper understanding

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Learning new cultures is very interesting and helps one to have a deeper understanding of different viewpoints and needs you can have a more nuanced and understanding view of the world



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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Especially the sea, the idea that its not all amazing and not many islands fear it and how relief people can be on it. The idea that its dangerous and there are still people being lost at sea trying to make a living for their families

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

by increasing general knowledge and experiencing different viewpoints it helps me to have a deeper less one sided view on our literature

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

I ~~learned~~ learnt the different perspectives and the context which improved my comparative comparison skills.

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

It was very interesting to learn about Mauritian culture and history. ~~Understanding~~ Understanding the poems and talking about the multicultural impacts was very interesting.

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

It was very interesting to learn about the effects of colonialism on nature and how that affects the people is very interesting.

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

The skills I have learned today ~~have~~ will greatly help me in assessments.

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- Shape my analysis around context and understanding of colonial impact  
- Empathizing with situation + the people, not just the language used

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

- Similar to above, thought-provoking understanding of historical context and human reactions



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