Instructor Visit

Your Name: ___________________________       Date: ______________________

Instructor visited: ______________________       Course: ____________________

After you have observed an instructor teaching for a class you are not currently a GSI for, write a few sentences for the following questions. You should read these questions before observing the lecture.

1. Briefly summarize the lecture that you visited (e.g., what was taught, how it was presented, demos or active learning strategies performed). Give the ratio of time spent lecturing versus active learning techniques (which, for purposes of this worksheet, can include general Q&A).

2. Describe the atmosphere of the classroom and the students’ reactions (were they engaged?, did it seem easy to ask questions?, etc.).

3. How is the lecturing style of this instructor different from the instructor of your course? Cite specific examples for comparison.
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4. List two or three strengths of the instructor.

5. List any instances where learning was hindered. Comment on why that situation hindered learning.

6. What is one aspect of this instructor’s style that you would like to incorporate into your own lecturing technique?