

QUESTIONS

Interpretive

- ◆ Why do you think ____ happened?
- ◆ What lesson can we learn from this story?
- ◆ What is the theme of this story?
- ◆ What do you believe is the main idea of this text?
- ◆ What do you think the purpose of this text is? Why?
- ◆ How would you describe ____?
- ◆ How are ____ and ____ similar?
- ◆ How are ____ and ____ different?
- ◆ Why do you think ____ happened?
- ◆ What does ____ mean?
- ◆ How are these two texts alike/unlike?
- ◆ Would changing the point of view also change the story?
- ◆ Does the illustration/picture/photograph change the way you think about the text?
- ◆ What would you include in a summary of this text?
- ◆ What is the most important word/phrase/sentence in the text?

Evaluative

- ◆ Does the author have sufficient reasons to support his argument?
- ◆ Is the evidence used by the author credible?
- ◆ Do you think that the author organizes his/her reasons in the most effective way to support the argument? Why or why not?
- ◆ How can you refute the author's argument?

Clarifying

- ◆ Why do you say that?
- ◆ Can you explain what you mean by that?
- ◆ What evidence from the text supports your answer?
- ◆ How does this connect to what we have discussed before?
- ◆ What does that tell us about the text?

Focusing

- ◆ How does this relate to our conversation?
- ◆ Can you find evidence from the text to support your thoughts?