



Bloom's Taxonomy Questions

Bookmarks

These questions have been collected over a number of years, from a variety of different sources. Print out the bookmarks and give them to small groups to guide discussions of stories, novels, videos, plays, encounters on the playground, or just about anything else. Focus more of your questions at the higher levels of the taxonomy.

Preparation Directions:

Run page 2 off on cover stock or heavy white drawing paper. Run page 3 on the back of page two. Laminate, cut apart (8.5x11 paper cuts at 4.25. inches on the paper cutter). You can punch a hole in the top and tie on a ribbon or piece of yarn, if you want to make them fancier. Make enough to give each child one to keep in his desk or notebook, and send one home to parents. They will be better able to discuss their child's reading with them if they know what type of questions to ask.





Questions to think about

Knowledge

- Who were the important characters?
- What kind of person is _____?
- Where did the events occur?
- When did everything change?
- Tell what happened when _____.
- Name the story events.
- List all the problems that occurred.
- Is it true or false that _____?
- Make a time line of the story.
- Point to high point of the story.

Comprehension

- Retell it in your own words.
- What does this mean?
- Illustrate.
- Describe
- What was the main idea?
- Who was the main character?
- What might happen next?
- Name the characteristics of _____.
- Give an example of a bad idea.
- Make a map of the setting.

Application

- What would happen if?
- What would you do in the situation?
- Do some research to find out
- What can you learn from
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What else could have been done?
Could this happen in real life? Why or why not?
What kind of person is _____?
Why did _____ do that?
What things are similar to your life?
What things are different from your life?
What is the theme?
What was the turning point?
Outline the steps taken to solve the problem.
Compare / Contrast yourself to the main character.

Synthesis

What would it be like to be the main character?
Change the ending.
Pretend you are
Design a
What is another way to solve the problem?
How many ways can you help the protagonist?
Create a new tool that would be helpful in the situation.
Invent a sequel to the story.
Convince me of your idea about
Combine your characteristics with those of one of the characters. Would you be a good team?

Evaluation

What will happen to the character in the future?
Could this really happen? Why? Why not?
Was this good or bad? Why? Why not?
Would you recommend this? Why? Why not?
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