

Retrieval Questions:

(picking out the facts from the text)

What was...?

Where did...?

How does...?

Why did the character...?

What do you think the word _____ means?

Who was the character that...?

Show me in the text where you found...?

Where does the story take place?

Can you tell me two facts about...?



Inference Questions:

(working out the meaning of the words- to interpret or infer what is happening)

It says that the character... What does this tell us about the character?

Why is ... described as...?

Having read this text, why do you think that...?

What do you predict may happen next and why? (pick out clues from text)

How does the word/ phrase _____ hint at what this character is thinking/ feeling?



Why has the word/ phrase _____ been used to describe...?

What does the word/phrase _____ tell us about this character/ event?

Look at the author's choice of words and sentence structure. How has this built suspense?

How does this paragraph try to persuade/ upset/ create tension?

How does the word/ phrase _____ make you feel?

What is the impact of this sentence structure/ punctuation?

Connections Questions:

(making links- considering how the text reflects different times and cultures, comparing the text to other books/ stories)

Where/ when do you think this text is set and why?

Is this story similar to any others you know? How?

Why did you enjoy/ not enjoy this text?

From what we know about the author, how does his/ her background influence the text?

Have you read any other texts by this author? Have you noticed any similarities (story themes/ use of language)?

Can you relate to one of the characters in any way?

