



LOOKING AHEAD:

Asking Better Questions

Identify a future conversation where you will need to ask effective questions. Review the list of questions below to identify questions you might use to foster dialogue and share understanding. Put a checkmark beside any questions you might use in the identified conversation.

QUESTION

- Given the time we have today, what is the most important thing you and I should be talking about? (Susan Scott)
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- What if nothing changes? So what? What are the implications for you and your students? (Susan Scott)
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- What is the ideal outcome? (Susan Scott)
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- What can we do to resolve this issue? (Susan Scott)
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- Tell me about what you felt.
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- Tell me a little about this..
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- What leads you to believe...?
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- What went well? What surprised you? What did you learn? What will you do differently next time?
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- What do you think about...?
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- On a scale of 1-10, how close are you to your ideal classroom? (Steve Barkley)
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- What are you seeing that shows that the strategy is successful? (Steve Barkley)
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- What impact would _____ have? (Steve Barkley)
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- When have you seen _____? (Steve Barkley)
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- What do you think the _____ suggests?
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- What are some other ways we can look at that?
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- What are we uncertain about?
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- What is your hope for _____?
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- What if nothing happens?
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