



Breaking Down Complex Questions

Using lower level questions to support the answering of higher level questions

Higher Level Questions	Supporting Questions
How can we tell that a storm is coming?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What does the sky look like? • What does the air feel like? • What can you hear? • What can you smell?
What is a dictionary?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What type of thing is it? • What information is in it? • What is it used for?
How are a cat and a cow the same?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What group does a cat belong to? • What group does a cow belong to? • What parts does a cat have? • What parts does a cow have?
What would happen if there was a fire alarm?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What does the fire alarm sound like? • What do you have to do when you first hear the fire alarm? • What does your teacher do? • Where do you go? • What happens next?
How do you make a toasted ham and cheese sandwich?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What ingredients do you need? • What appliance do you need? • What other things to do you? • What do you need to do to each ingredient? • What do you do first? • How do you know when it is ready? • What do you do after you have eaten the sandwich?
Why do people ride bikes instead of driving cars?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the pros of riding a bike? • What are the cons of driving a car? • Do those pros outweigh the cons?
How would you survive on a deserted island?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the essential things you need to survive? • What would you do for food? • What would you do for water? • What would you do for shelter? • How would you signal for help?