

Discussion Questions

Lesson Blueprints: Question Stems Grade Level: Middle and High School

The following are question stems and response builder roots based on the Depth of Knowledge Wheel that can be used to build deeper questions for discussions by teachers and students.

Level One Recall and Reproduction:

Who...?

What...?

Where...?

When...?

Tell...

Quote...

Describe...

Name...

Level Two Basic Application of Skills and Concepts:

How did it happen?

Why did it happen?

How does it work?

Why does it work that
way?

Identify and
summarize...

Organize...

Interpret...

Use context clues to
define...

Describe the cause/
effect...

Level Three Strategic Thinking:

How can you
use it?

Why can you
use it?

What is the cause?

What is the effect?

What is the reason?

What is the result?

Support your ideas
with evidence/
examples from...

Design a model for...

Determine the
(narrator's, author's,
filmmaker's, etc.)
purpose...

Apply this concept
to...

Level Four Extended Thinking:

What is the impact...

What is the
influence...

What is the
relationship...

What if...

What would happen...

What could happen...

What do you think,
feel, believe...

Analyze the
information from
multiple sources...

Describe and
illustrate the common
themes...

Create a new...

Design...
