

Powerful Questions

Teachers who excel at teaching reasoning use a sequence of questions to develop thinking.

- *“Tell me again please, what claim are you making?”*
- *“What’s your evidence for saying that?”*
- *“Can you connect what (another student) just said to your comments? Do you feel different or the same; do you agree or disagree?”*
- *“If that happened, what might happen next?”*
- *“What are probable causes for that?”*
- *“Why did they do it this way, and can you think of other ways to do it?”*