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Figure 5.5: Bloom's Taxonomy Questions

Bloom's Level	Example	Question Stems
Remembering: Who, what, when where, why, and how questions that demonstrate students can Retrieve information Recognize information Recall information	Question: What is the capital of Virginia?	What do you remember about?
		Can you identify?
		Can you list?
		How would you define?
		Who was it that?
		How would you identify?
		How would you recognize?
		How is (are)?
		Who was?
		When did?
		What is (are)?
		Where is (are)?
Understanding: These	Question: What is the main idea of the story?	How would you compare and contrast?
questions require students to use their		Can you clarify?
own words to interpret.		Can you represent?
Students can		Can you paraphrase?
Give examples or		Can you translate?
elaborate • Summarize		What does mean in
• Classify		your own words?
• Infer		What is another way to say?
Describe or explain orCompare		How would you describe or clarify the meaning of?
To do this, students often must put several pieces of information together.		How would you retell?
		Can you think of some of your own examples that illustrate?
		Can you map?
		Can you match?
		Can you construct of model of?
		How could you categorize or group?
		Why do you think is grouped in that manner?
		Can you summarize?
		How would you illustrate?
		Can you describe how is like?

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Understanding: These questions require students to use their own words to interpret. Students can • Give examples or elaborate • Summarize • Classify • Infer • Describe or explain or • Compare To do this, students often must put several pieces of information together.	Question: What is the main idea of the story?	Can you describe how
Applying: Questions of this variety require students to engage in problem solving. To answer the question, they must take what they know and apply it to a new situation by carrying out a procedure or using the information. This requires students to • Execute or carry out skills • Implement or use information they learned	Question: How can you use a percent to find the appropriate dollar amount to tip your server?	What are the steps to performing? Is there another way to? How would you solve using the procedure or information you learned? What tasks is useful for? What are the steps for solving? What approach or strategy would you use to? How would you use?
Analyzing: This type of question prompts students to examine the structure, including the whole and its parts and how they relate to each other. This includes the skills of • Differentiating • Organizing • Attributing	Question: What are some of the factors that caused the Civil War?	How can you distinguish between?

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Evaluating: When students create evaluation questions, they must form judgments or points of view. This involves • Checking • Critiquing	Question: Why do you think the Mona Lisa is such a famous painting?	How would you assess? How would you grade
Creating: Questions that require synthesis ask students to create, design, or construct something new or original. This involves • Generating • Planning • Producing	Question: How can you design a structure capable of holding five pounds of books using popsicle sticks and clips?	What alternative hypothesis would you create to describe? How would you change or revise? How can you create a process to explain? How would you put together a plan to? What could you design in order to? What facts can you compile to support the thesis that? What would happen if? How would you devise a way to? How can build to solve the problem of?