Shared Inquiry™ and Learning with Others: Questions to Ask

**IDEA**

- What did you mean, <name>?
- Would you explain that further?
- Does anyone have a different idea?
- How does that help answer the question?
- Is that related to________________________?
- What if the reason for that might be ___ ____________________________?

**EVIDENCE**

- Where did you see that in the text?
- What made you think so?
- Would you give us an example?
- What other evidence can we find for that?
- How does that part of the text support your answer?
- What does the author or character do to make you think so?

**RESPONSE**

- Would you repeat that please?
- Why do you agree (or disagree)?
- How does your idea go with ____________?
- Who has another way to look at that?
- What if you combined ___________ with ________________________?
- Whose idea connects most to your own?
Shared Inquiry™ and Learning with Others: MORE Questions to Ask

**IDEA**

- What do you think about ______________?
- How did you explain ______________?
- Would you clarify what you meant by ________________?
- Why did you find that significant?
- Can you elaborate on your idea about ________________?
- What about that is most important?
- What do you think are the main reasons?
- How can we connect that to ______________?

**EVIDENCE**

- What part of the text led you to that conclusion?
- What gave you that impression?
- What about that evidence most supports your idea?
- How does that part of the text connect to your point about ________________?
- How does the author let you know what was meant?
- What evidence did you find most compelling?
- Which part of that argument is least convincing and why?
- If you think that ________________, then why does ________________?

**RESPONSE**

- Who has a different idea?
- What’s your interpretation, <name>? 
- Which point did you find most convincing?
- What if we combined ________________ and ________________?
- How would you summarize what we’ve heard so far?
- What are the pros or cons of that idea?
- How would you compare ________________ and ________________?
- Is there a point of view we haven't considered yet?
Share Your Ideas and Learn from Others

Here are some ways to start sharing your ideas and learning from other people. Use these sentence starters when speaking or writing, and keep adding your own too.

### IDEA

| I thought it was because ___________________          | I think the (author/character) is _______ because ___________________          |
| In my opinion, ________________________________     | One reason for that might be ________________                                |
| I noticed that _________________________________  | To me, it seems that ____________________                                    |
| I wondered if _________________________________   | My response to that question is _______                                      |

### EVIDENCE

| In the text, on page _____, it shows that ______________________ | Another example of that is on page _____, when ______________________          |
| My evidence for that idea is when, on page _____, we see the (author/character) ______________________ | Looking at this quote on page _____ helps explain that ______________________ |
| This quote on page _____ supports my idea because ______________________ | I inferred that from the way that, on page _____, the text shows us ______________ |
| The part of the text that made me think that is __________________________________________ | Throughout the text, we see ______________, which leads me to conclude ______________ |

### RESPONSE

| What you said, <name>, makes me think ______________________ | Building on what you said, <name>, I would add ______________________ |
| Another way of looking at that part might be ______________________ | I can connect/relate to that because ________ |
| I’d like to go back to what <name> said about ______________________ | I’ve shifted my ideas based on what I’ve heard. Now I think that ______________ |
| I understand why you say that, but I think ______________________ | I can see your point, <name>; however, ______________ |

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<th>I propose that ____________________</th>
<th>My idea combines _____ and ________</th>
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<td>My theory for that is ____________</td>
<td>To further develop my claim, ________</td>
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<td>From my perspective, ______________</td>
<td>I was still thinking about ___________</td>
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<td>What about if ____________________</td>
<td>Moving on to another point, ________</td>
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<th>To support my claim, I point to _______ on page _____</th>
<th>The (author/character’s) choice of _______ led me to conclude __________________________</th>
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<td>The most compelling example of that can be found on page _____, when _____________</td>
<td>In defense of that idea, look at page _____, where it says ____________________________</td>
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<td>It says here, on page _____, that _______ , which supports my idea because ________</td>
<td>On the whole, the evidence leads me to believe ________________ because ___________</td>
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<td>When you combine ____________________ on page _____ with ____________________ on page _____, a pattern emerges that supports my conclusion that ________________</td>
<td>While I realize ____, the section on page _____ gives more weight to the idea that ________________ because ___________</td>
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<th>I have a question about ______________</th>
<th>Going back to what &lt;name&gt; said earlier, ____________________________</th>
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<td>My idea is related to _______________</td>
<td>Your comment helped me figure out _____</td>
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<td>I really liked what you said, &lt;name&gt;, about ____________________________</td>
<td>Another way to look at that is ________</td>
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