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Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

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The ‘obey authority’ supporters might argue that if deficient in fundamental knowledge, over-skeptical will lead to total simplicity and naivety. We are not omniscient, nor can we be experts in every field. Undue skepticism might be counterproductive in educating students who do not know much, like lower grade student. Since a majority of questions would be eliminated with in-depth study, it would be better if they abstain from challenging long established principles taught by their teachers. A good case in hand is young children who just learned addition. How could he continue to study if he won’t stop questioning? In sum, compliance with an order or submission to authority would be effective in educating young children.

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Nevertheless, the ‘question authority’ believers could also point out great benefits by just questioning authority. Albert Einstein said, "Unthinking respect for authority is the greatest enemy of truth." My personal experience at my professor’s lab could serve as an illustration of the importance of questioning authority. Our team works on machine learning, a computational model to solve the problem of computer vision. Our **senior** has been investing great amount of time and funding in developing new model. When my colleges and I suggested new method, which would overthrow all jobs we have done before, he was way too conservative and refuse to use the new method. What’s frustrating is that he even alleged the new method is useless. We tried more trials based on new method and represent the result to our professor. She endorsed us and eventually we accomplish the system. In conclusion, questioning rules or authority is essential for students to be creative.

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Furthermore, there's no an inherent conflict between questioning and obeying authority. In some circumstance, it might be essential for students to question authority to ; on the contrary, there are also some condition that people should obey their authority. For example, the president of a government is required to be questioned by people to avoid corruption; whereas the authority of doctors, dentists, and other medical specialists should not be questioned by regular individuals