

## Higher Order Thinking Skills Question Templates

<b>Recall</b>	
<p>Note: Any question becomes a recall question if the answer has already been explicitly provided to the student in class or in the text.</p> <p>When did _____ take place?</p> <p>List the _____ .</p>	<p>Define the term _____.</p> <p>What is a _____?</p> <p>Who did _____?</p> <p>Name _____.</p>
<b>Analysis</b>	
<p>How does _____ work?</p> <p>Sort these _____ .</p> <p>Use the table to determine _____ .</p> <p>Use the graph to determine _____ .</p> <p>Graph _____ .</p> <p>What caused _____ ?</p> <p>What is another possible cause of _____ ?</p> <p>Outline the _____ .</p> <p>Based on the written description, draw a diagram.</p> <p>Draw your own map of _____ without tracing or copying.</p> <p>Use the map to determine _____ .</p> <p>In what sequence did _____ happen?</p> <p>Break _____ down into its component parts.</p> <p>Give an example of _____ .</p> <p>What literary form is being used?</p> <p>What technique is being used?</p> <p>What information is needed?</p> <p>Is the information relevant?</p> <p>Into what groups can you organize these?</p> <p>Draw a picture that illustrates what's described in the story _____ .</p>	<p>What does _____ symbolize?</p> <p>Find examples of [a literary device] in your readings.</p> <p>Analyze the _____ in _____ .</p> <p>Classify these _____ according to _____ .</p> <p>Separate the _____ from the _____ .</p> <p>Translate _____ .</p> <p>Analyze how _____ .</p> <p>Explain how _____ works.</p> <p>What was the author's point of view?</p> <p>How did the author convey _____ ?</p> <p>What words does the author use to paint an image of _____ in your mind?</p> <p>How were _____ used to _____ ?</p> <p>What kind of a _____ is this?</p> <p>Which one doesn't belong in this group?</p> <p>What is the function of _____ ?</p> <p>What is the purpose of _____ ?</p> <p>What is the relationship between _____ and _____ ?</p> <p>What is the pattern?</p> <p>Use manipulatives to illustrate a concept.</p> <p>Build a model of _____ .</p> <p>Measure _____ .</p>

Comparison	
<p>How is _____ like _____ ?</p> <p>How are _____ and _____ different?</p> <p>Compare the _____ before and after _____ .</p> <p>Compare the character _____ at the beginning of the story and at the end.</p>	<p>Distinguish between _____ and _____ .</p> <p>Compare _____ with _____ .</p> <p>On what dimensions might you compare _____ and _____ ?</p> <p>Which one is the biggest/oldest/tallest?</p>

Inference	
<p>Hypothesize what will happen if _____ .</p> <p>Predict what will happen if _____ .</p> <p>Apply the rule to _____ .</p> <p>Solve the problem _____ .</p> <p>Predict how the story _____ will end.</p> <p>What is the main idea of the story _____ ?</p> <p>What is the overall theme of _____ ?</p> <p>What is the moral of the story?</p> <p>Develop of plan to _____ .</p> <p>Propose and describe an invention that fills some need.</p> <p>Write a research paper on _____ .</p>	<p>Based on your readings, what can you conclude about _____ ?</p> <p>What was the author's point of view?</p> <p>Solve a logic puzzle.</p> <p>What if _____ ?</p> <p>What rule applies here?</p> <p>What generalization can you make from this information?</p> <p>Create a _____ .</p> <p>Design a _____ .</p> <p>Propose a solution to the problem of _____ .</p>

## Evaluation

Was \_\_\_\_\_ worth the costs? Explain your answer.

Was the argument convincing? What makes you think so?

Did \_\_\_\_\_ behave appropriately? Why?

What would you have done in this situation? Why?

Write a critique of \_\_\_\_\_ .

Was this experiment well designed? Defend your answer.

Judge which is the best solution to the problem of \_\_\_\_\_ ? Why do you think so?

How well are the conclusions supported by the data/ facts/evidence? Explain.

Did \_\_\_\_\_ choose a wise course of action? Give reasons.

Apply a scoring rubric to this piece of work. Explain why you are assigning each score.

What would you have done in this situation? Why?

Review a book, performance, or exhibit. Justify your evaluation.

Which \_\_\_\_\_ is the best? Why do you think so?

Whose arguments/evidence was more convincing? Why?

If you were the judge, what would your decision be? Why?

Give and justify your opinion on \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Quirky Ice Breaker Questions**

- ❖ If you could hang out with any cartoon character, who would you choose and why?
- ❖ If you could add a word to the dictionary what would you add and what would it mean?
- ❖ If you could meet any living person for dinner, who would you pick and why?
- ❖ What is your most used emoji?
- ❖ Would you rather have invisibility or flight?
- ❖ Cats or dogs? Crunchy peanut butter or smooth?
- ❖ Teleportation or flying?
- ❖ Would you rather be invisible or be able to read minds?
- ❖ If you could be an animal, what animal would you be and why?
- ❖ If you could bring back any fashion trend, what would it be?
- ❖ If you had 25 hours a day, how would you spend your extra time?
- ❖ If you had to delete all but three apps from your smartphone, which ones would you keep?

**Food & Drink Ice Breaker Questions**

- ❖ If you were a vegetable, what vegetable would you be and why?
- ❖ If you had to eat one meal every day for the rest of your life what would it be?
- ❖ Coffee or tea?
- ❖ What's the weirdest food you've ever eaten?
- ❖ How do you like your eggs?
- ❖ What are your three favorite foods?
- ❖ What is your favorite meal to cook and why?
- ❖ What's your favorite breakfast cereal?
- ❖ Favorite grocery item while shopping locally?
- ❖ What is your favorite restaurant?
- ❖ What is your favorite candy or treat?
- ❖ Sweet, salty, or sour?
- ❖ What is something you are great at cooking?
- ❖ What is something you can't cook?
- ❖ What is your favorite dessert?
- ❖ If you could eliminate one food so no one could eat it ever again, what would you destroy?
- ❖ What is your favorite breakfast? Lunch? Dinner?

**Personal ice breaker questions**

- ❖ What's the best piece of advice you have ever been given?
- ❖ If you had to teach a class on one thing, what would you teach?
- ❖ If you could eliminate one thing from your daily routine, what would it be and why?
- ❖ Would you rather be the funniest or smartest person in the room?
- ❖ What's the best advice you've ever heard?

- ❖ What would you like to be known/remembered for?
- ❖ What sport would you compete in if you were in the Olympics?
- ❖ What would you like to do when you retire?
- ❖ What is the best perk you have ever enjoyed at a job?
- ❖ If you could magically become fluent in any language, what would it be?
- ❖ What is your favorite time of the day and why?

### **General Ice Breaker Questions**

- ❖ Are you sunrise, daylight, twilight, or night? Please share why you picked your time of day.
- ❖ Are you summer, fall, spring, or winter? Please share why.
- ❖ If you could pick up a new skill in an instant what would it be and why?
- ❖ Do you have a favorite charity you wish more people knew about?
- ❖ What skill do you think everyone should have?
- ❖ How would you change your life today if the average life expectancy was 400 years?

### **Entertainment ice breaker questions**

- ❖ If you could be in any movie, what would it be and what character would you play?
- ❖ Which actor would you want to play you in the movie about your life?
- ❖ If you were a wrestler what would be your entrance theme song?
- ❖ If you were a superhero what would your name be?
- ❖ If you were a superhero what would your superpower be and why?
- ❖ What fictional world or place would you like to visit?
- ❖ What is your favorite TV show?
- ❖ What are you reading right now?
- ❖ What book did you read that changed your life the most?
- ❖ What movie have you seen recently that you would recommend and why?
- ❖ What is your favorite sport to watch and why?
- ❖ If you could see one movie again for the first time, what would it be and why?
- ❖ If you had to play one album forever which one would it be?
- ❖ Which song can you listen to all day long?

### **Hobby Questions**

- ❖ What is your favorite hobby?
- ❖ What is your favorite thing to do by yourself?
- ❖ What is your favorite sport or physical activity?
- ❖ What crazy activities do you dream of trying someday?
- ❖ What is your idea of fun?
- ❖ What two things do you consider yourself to be very good at?
- ❖ What two things do you consider yourself to be very bad at?

- ❖ If money and time were no object, what would you be doing right now?
- ❖ What is something you hate doing? Why?
- ❖ What is something you love doing? Why?
- ❖ Do you have any hidden talents? What can you do?
- ❖ What was one new experience you tried that was completely unknown or uncomfortable to you at the time you tried it?

### **Have You Ever?**

- ❖ Have you ever been out of the country?
- ❖ Have you ever ridden on a motorcycle?
- ❖ Have you ever lived in another state?
- ❖ Have you ever met a celebrity?
- ❖ Have you ever been to Disney Land or Disney World?
- ❖ Have you ever planted a garden?
- ❖ Have you ever experienced a natural disaster like a hurricane or tornado?
- ❖ Have you ever won a contest?
- ❖ Have you ever eaten a whole pizza by yourself?
- ❖ Have you ever done any extreme sports like skydiving or bungee jumping?

### **Sci-Fi Entertainment Ice Breaker Questions**

- ❖ Where would you time-travel, if it were possible?
- ❖ If you could have a superpower, what would it be and why?
- ❖ If you were the captain of a pirate ship, what would be the name of your ship?
- ❖ If you could travel to any other planet (real or fictional), where would you go and why?
- ❖ What is your favorite movie?
- ❖ Who is your favorite actor/actress?
- ❖ What is your favorite book?
- ❖ What is your favorite tv series?
- ❖ What show on Netflix did you binge watch embarrassingly fast?
- ❖ If you could be any fictional character, who would you be?
- ❖ What type of music do you listen to?
- ❖ What movie can you rewatch over and over again?