marzano's Questions Stems

ANALYSIS

Which events could have really happened...? What do you do that is just like the character in the story?

How was this similar to ...?

What do you see as other possible outcomes?

Why did ... changes occur?

Compare your ... with that presented in. . .

What part of the story was funniest?

Saddest? Most exciting?

How is ... similar to ...?

Can you distinguish between ...?

What made the characters do what they did?

SYNTHESIS

How else could the story have ended? Retell the story from another character's point of view.

Can you see a possible solution to ...?

If you had access to all resources how would you deal with...?

What is another way the character could have dealt with the problem?

Think of 2-3 new titles that give a good idea of what the story was about.

Can you create new and unusual uses for...? Can you write a new recipe for a tasty dish? can you develop a proposal which would...

EVALUATION

Compare two of the characters on their inner qualities or attributes.

Is there a better solution to...

Judge the value of...

Can you defend your position about ...?

Do you think ... is a good or a bad thing?

How would you have handled ...?

What changes to ... would you recommend?

Do you believe?

Is the main character good or bad? Explain your answer.

How would you feel if ...?

Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why or why not?

KNOWLEDGE

What happened after...?

When and where does the story take place?

Who was in that...?

Can you name the ...?

Describe what happened at ...?

Can you tell why...?

How does the story end?

What is the problem in the story?

Which is true or false...? when...?

How is ... similar to ...?

What are some of the problems of ...?

Can you distinguish between ...?

What were some of the motives behind...?

What was the turning point in the book?

What was the problem with . . . ?

COMPREHENSION

Can you write in your own words ...?

Can you write a brief outline...?

How did the main character feel at the beginning of the story? How at the end?

What do you think could of happened next...?

Who do you think ...?

What was the main idea...?

Who was the key character...?

Can you distinguish between...?

What differences exist between...?

Can you provide an example of what you mean...?

How was the problem in the story solved? Explain why the story has the title it does.

APPLICATION

If you had to cook a meal for the main character, what would you cook?

Do you know another instance where ...?

What would you do if you could go where the story takes place?

Can you group by characteristics such as...?

What factors would you change if ...?

What would your mother do if she was in the story?

What questions would you ask of ...?

From the information given, can you develop a set of instructions about...?