



*Classroom Presentation*

# Curiosity

Questions of Understanding

**Lesson One**

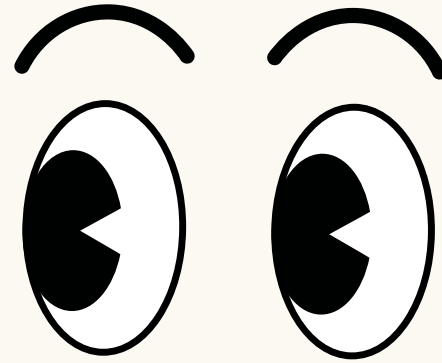


**STARTS  
WITH US**



**essential  
PARTNERS**

# *We Are* **Curious**



We commit to approaching all materials and perspectives with the sense that there is more to learn and understand — especially when we do not agree.

We can disagree with passion and respect, but we will ask questions to better understand each other.

*Curiosity*

# Lessons

**Lesson One: Questions of Understanding** ← *You Are Here*

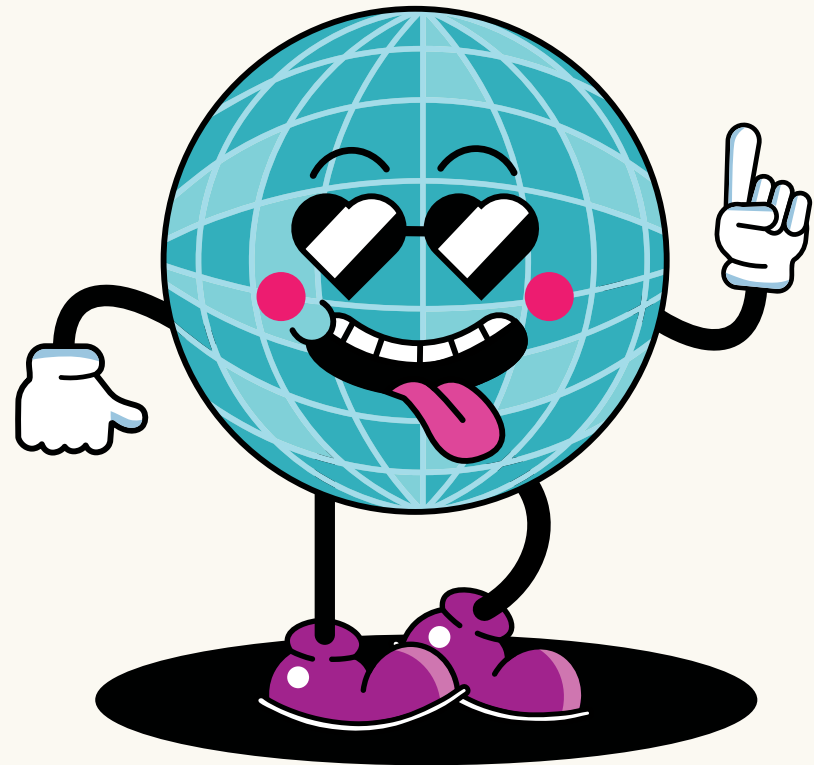
Lesson Two: Questions of Persuasion

Lesson Three: Impact of Questions

# Ground

Grounding Activity

**Dance Party!**

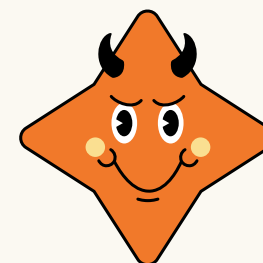
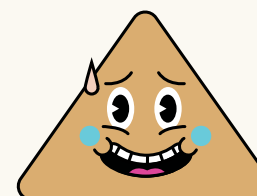
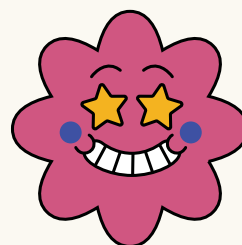
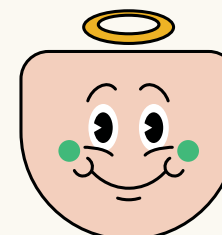
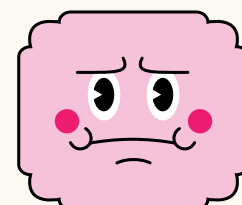
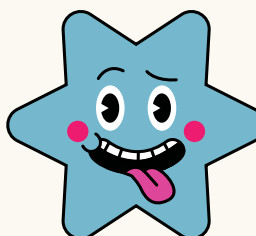
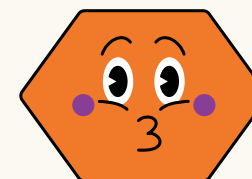
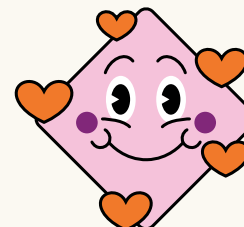
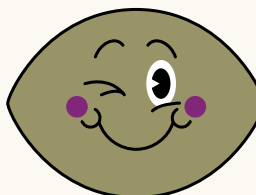
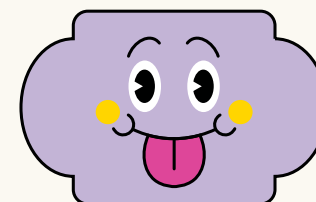
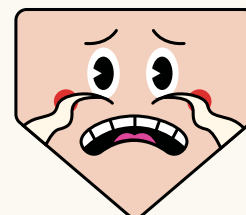
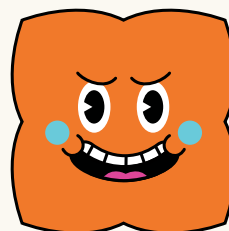




# Connect

Connect Question

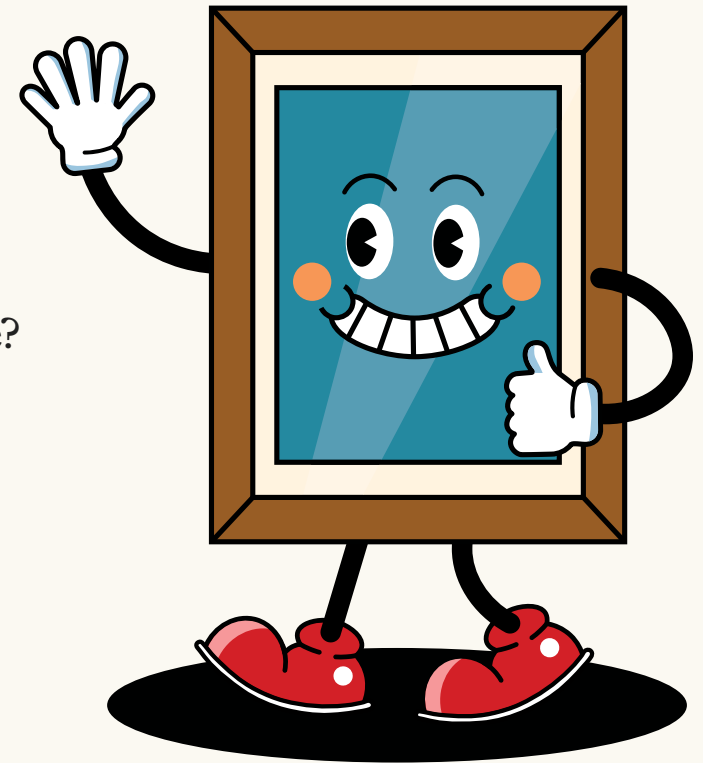
What emoji would you use to describe your mood today?



# Framing

How do the questions we ask shift the conversations we have?

What are the impacts of questions to better understand someone in a conversation?



**Questions of understanding** are questions that are motivated by a desire to *understand more about someone* and their beliefs.

*They might sound like:*

**Inviting deeper meaning**

**What made you  
want to...?**

**What personal  
experiences led you  
to believe that?**



**Inquiring about impact**

**How did this impact  
the way you think  
about that?**

**What did you learn?  
How did this affect...?**



**Asking for more detail  
and clarity**

**Say more about...  
What about this feels  
important to you?  
When you say... what  
does that mean to you?**





**This question style  
is not good or bad.**



PRACTICE: Help Me Understand

**“I think students should have at least 3 hours of homework every night.”**

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**Could you say more  
about what that was  
like or how you felt?**

**When you say...  
what does that mean  
to you?**



# **Classroom Activity:** **See handout**

