

Trigger Questions

Explain the assignment to me. What are you supposed to do? What is your homework?

Explain _____ to me without looking at the text. What does _____ mean? What happens when _____?

Let's break this passage down into parts. What does this part mean? How is part 2 related to part 1?

My understanding of this part is _____. What do you think?

How does ____ relate to what you did yesterday/previously/in "unit 1"?

OR more specifically if you see a connection, "How does _____ relate to _____?"

What do you know about _____ already? Write it down.

What are the important definitions and concepts in this text?

Have you seen _____ before?

Did your teacher talk about this in class today? What do your notes say about this?

What does your textbook say about this?

Explain to me what the first step should be. What is the next step?

Draw a picture of the problem or concept.

Does this look like any of the sample problems you have seen before? What's similar? What's different?

Why did you use that information instead of _____? Why did you start with that step instead of _____?

We can't seem to get an answer. What question(s) could you ask your teacher about _____ tomorrow?