

Levels of Questions



LEVEL 1: The answers to these questions are "right there" in the text. In other words, the answers slap you in the face because they are right there in black and white.

L1 Questions - factual and address key elements. (Examples: What kinds of advice does the mother give the girl about cooking, managing a household, and behaving? - What was chasing the girl in Little Red Riding Hood?)

L1 Answers - are found directly in the text and good answers lead to an accurate and complete summary of the text.



LEVEL 2: These questions are a bit harder to answer because the answers are "in between the lines." You have to think of what the author's underlying message to the reader is in the text.

L2 Questions - inferential and consider the motivations of the author or character. (Examples: How is tone revealed through the mother's directives? - What is the moral of the story Little Red Riding Hood?)

L2 Answers - are found by following patterns and seeing relationships among parts of the text and good answers lead to an identification of those significant patterns.



LEVEL 3: The answers of these questions are independent of the text. The question is being asked because the text has made you think of something related to the concept in the reading.

L3 Questions - connecting and link text to prior knowledge, other texts, or experiences. (Examples: What is the most valuable advice your mother has given you? - Why would authors write fairy tales to read to young children?)

L3 Answers - are found by testing the ideas of a text against readers' schema and good answers lead to an appreciation of the text and further discussion.