

Experiential Learning: Sentence Starters

Good teachers work to boost students' thinking and to help them grow their habits of mind. Are you looking for prompts that will guide your students towards increased participation and greater discourse? Give these sentence starters a try and see what happens!

- I'm curious about _____....
- When I see _____ I think of _____...
- I wonder what would happen if....
- How is _____ different than _____?
- Have I seen this before?
- What I notice about _____ is....
- Does this happen everywhere/all the time?
- How can I learn more about this?
- What does this make me think of?
- What happened right before? What happened right after?

Suggested Uses:

- Feature these sentence starters on a display in your classroom.
- Create a pocket-sized reference card that students can use as a bookmark or desk prompt.
- Post these prompts in your class website.
- Share these prompts with families so that students can be encouraged to use them in various contexts.
- Identify a prompt of the day or week and celebrate with snaps every time you hear it.