



Question bank for Parents/Carers

Your role in the success of your child is incredibly important and we all need to work together to help our children/students achieve their goals. Our students are challenged in lessons by their teachers on a regular basis to think deeper than their initial answer. In almost all cases, when students move from their initial verbal or written answer and challenge themselves with a higher thinking skill they will more likely be accessing the higher levels of the mark scheme and inevitably receive a strong score.

We would like you to use the same questioning technique at home with your child when you work together and are revising-even when you are not! The more habitual it is to think critically, the more likely it is that the higher levels will be achieved.

Questions pose a greater challenge as you move through the table.

Testing knowledge & recall	Who? What? When? Where? Why? Which? How? Describe...? Define...? List...? Name....?
Testing comprehension	Can you describe in your own words? Can you explain...? Can you give an example of...? Do you agree/disagree with....? Can you classify...? Can you compare...?
Testing application	Can you think of another instance where...? Demonstrate how...? What would happen if...? Why is this information useful...?
Testing analysis	How is this similar to...? Explain what must have happened when...? Distinguish between....? What are your conclusions about...? How could you test...?
Testing evaluation	Justify why...? Which is best and why? Give the advantages and disadvantages of...? Are there any inconsistencies in...? Explain how you could improve...? What would you advise?
Testing synthesis	Give possible solutions to..? Can you create a new...? Can you suggest an alternative to...? Can you state a rule about...?