RECALLING INFORMATION: Retrieving & recognizing previously learned information; may involve the recall of terminology, specific facts, methods, procedures, basic concepts, or principles.

Ad	ction Words	Sample Questions	Activities/products
Arrange Count Define Describe Draw Duplicate Identify Label	List Recite Match Recogn Name Record Order Repeat Point Reprod Quote Select Read State Recall Write	Who was it that?	Make a list of the main events. Make a timeline of events. Make a facts chart. Write a list of any pieces of information you can remember. List all the in the story. Make a chart showing Recite a poem.

Using learned material to approach a problem; may involve the use of a concept in a new situation or location or applying things such as rules, methods, concepts, principles, laws, and theories.

Action Words			Sample Questions	Activities/products	
Add	Dramatize	Practice	Do you know of another instance	Construct a model to show how it will work.	
Apply	Employ	Predict	where?	Make a diorama to illustrate an event.	
Calculate	Examine	Prepare	Could this have happened in?	Make a scrapbook about the areas of study.	
Change	Formulate	Produce	Can you group by characteristics such	Make a map to include relevant information	
Choose	Graph	Relate	as?	about an event.	
Classify	Illustrate	Schedule	Which factors would you change if?	Take a collection of photographs to demon-	
Complete	Interpret	Shop	Can you apply the method used to some	strate a particular point.	
Compute	Manipulate	Show	experience of your own?	Make up a puzzle game using the ideas from	
Demonstrate	Modify	Sketch	From the information given, can you	the study area.	
Determine	Multiply	Solve	develop a set of instructions	Make a clay model of an item in the material.	
Develop	Operate	Subtract	about?	Design a marketing strategy for your product	
Discover	Organize	Translate	Would this information be useful if you	using a known strategy as a model.	
Divide	Perform	Use	had a?		

Keep in mind that the categories are not always distinct and separate from one another; the levels often overlap. For instance, "summarize" might be a way of demonstrating understanding; it can also involve analysis or evaluation.

EXPLAINING IDEAS OR CONCEPTS: Showing a grasp of the relationships between the elements of the subject; may involve restating the problem in your own words, making the information personal or identifying a step-by-step process.

Action Words			Sample Questions	Activities/products
Associate	Express	Predict	Can you explain why?	Draw pictures to show a particular event.
Classify	Extend	Recognize	Can you write in your own words?	Illustrate what you think the main idea
Compare	Generalize	Report	What could happen next?	was.
Compute	Give Examples	Restate	Who do you think?	Write and perform a play based on the
Contrast	Examples	Review	What was the main idea?	story.
Convert	Identify	Rewrite	Who was the key character?	Retell the story in your words.
Describe	Indicate	Select	Can you distinguish between?	Write a summary report of an event.
Differentiate	Locate	Sort	What differences exist between?	Prepare a flow chart to illustrate the
Discuss	List	Summarize	Can you provide an example of?	sequence of events.
Distinguish	Match	Tell	Can you clarify?	Make a brochure
Explain	Paraphrase	Translate	Can you illustrate?	Make an outline

BREAKING INTO PARTS TO EXPLORE RELATIONSHIPS: Identifying components of a problem in order to focus attention on each aspect; determining how the parts relate to one another and to an overall structure. May involve drawing conclusions from factual information or interpreting meaning of statements.

Action Words			Sample Questions	Activities/products
Analyze Appraise Arrange Breakdown Calculate Combine Compare Contrast Criticize Design	Develop Diagram Differentiate Dicriminate Distinguish Estimate Examine Experiment Extrapolate Formulate	Infer Inspect Inventory Outline Point out Question Relate Select Separate Subdivide Test	Which events could have led to? How is similar to? What was the underlying theme of? What are other possible outcomes? Why did changes occur? What are some of the problems of? Can you distinguish between? What were some of the motives behind? What was the turning point in the sequence?	Design a questionnaire to gather information. Write a commercial to sell a new product. Find information to support a view. Make a flow chart to show the critical stages. Construct a graph to illustrate information. Make a family tree showing relationships. Put on a play about the study area. Write a biography of the study person. Prepare a report about the area of study. Review a work of art in terms of form, color and texture.
Determine	Illustrate	Utilize	What was the problem with?	and toxiaro.

JUSTIFYING A DECISION/COURSE OF ACTION: Making judgments based on criteria or standards or combining parts to form a new concept or idea; judging the value of material based on a specific purpose.

Action Words			Sample Questions	Activities/products	
Appraise Argue Assess Attack Choose Compare Conclude Contrast Criticize Critique Defend	Determine Estimate Evaluate Grade Interpret Judge Justify Measure Predict Rank	Rate Revise Score Select Support Test Value Weigh	Is there a better solution to Judge the value of What do you think about Can you defend your position about? Do you think is a good or a bad thing? How would you have handled? What changes to would you recommend? Do you believe? How would you feel if? How effective are? What are the alternatives? Who will gain & who will lose?	Prepare a list of criteria to judge a Indicate priority and ratings. Conduct a debate about an issue. Make a booklet about 5 rules you see as important. Convince someone of your point of view. Form a panel to discuss views about a topic. Write a letter to advising on changes needed at Write an annual report. Prepare a case to present your view about	

GENERATING NEW IDEAS OR VIEWS: Correlating elements to form a unique or functional whole; may involve creativity of writing theme or speech, or integrating learning from different areas into a plan for solving a problem or developing a new approach. This is highest in the cognitive hierarchy because it contains elements of all the other categories, plus conscious value judgments based on clearly defined criteria.

Action Words			Sample Questions	Activities/products
Arrange Assemble Categorize Collect Combine Compile Compose Construct Create Debate Derive Design Devise	Explain Formulate Generate Group Integrate Manage Modify Order Organize Plan Prepare Prescribe Produce	Propose Rearrange Reconstruct Relate Reorganize Revise Rewrite Specify Summarize Synthesize Tell Transform	Can you design a to? Can you see a possible solution to? If you had access to all resources how would you deal with? Why don't you devise your own way to? What would happen if? How many ways can you? Can you create new and unusual uses for? Can you develop a proposal which would?	Invent a machine to do a specific task. Create a new product. Give it a name and plan a marketing campaign. Write about your feelings in relation to Write a TV show, play, puppet show, role play, song or pantomime about Design a record, book, or magazine cover for Make up a new language code and write material using it. Sell an idea. Devise a way to

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