

STAAR Reading Question Stems

List of Question Stems

Teachers can use these question starters with any story, article, poem, or novel they are reading in class.

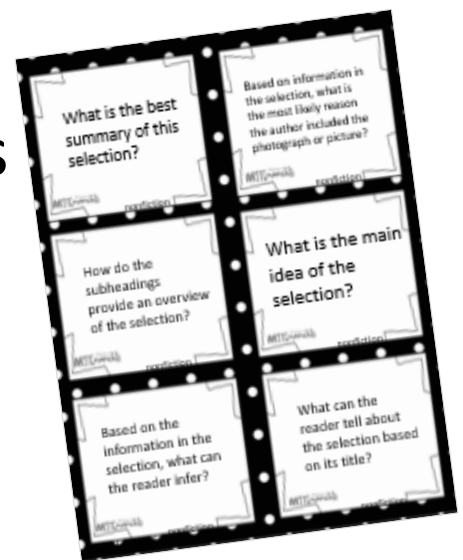
These are question stems used in the STAAR Reading Test.



Student Question Cards

Students can use the question cards with partners when they are working together in small groups.

Cards are sorted by genre.



STAAR Reading Question Stems

Vocabulary

- The prefix (*or suffix*) helps the reader know that the word unfamiliar word means –
- Which definition most closely fits the way the word is used in sentence?
- What is the meaning of the word?

Nonfiction

- What is the best summary of this selection?
- Based on information in the selection, what is the most likely reason the author included the photograph?
- How do the subheadings provide an overview of the selection?
- Which sentence from the selection supports the main idea?
- Based on the information in the selection, what can the reader infer?
- The author includes questions most likely to –
- What can the reader tell about the article based on its title?
- The most likely reason the author include the information about . . .
- Which sentence from the selection best supports the conclusion?

Poetry

- Based on the details in the poem, which statement best describes how the speaker feels?
- What is the most likely reason the poet includes . . . in the poem?
- Read these lines from the poem, what do the lines suggest about the speaker's experience?
- Read this line with figurative language, it suggests . . .
- The purpose of the first stanza is . . .
- What is the message in the poem?

Fiction

- Based on the details in the story, what can the reader infer?
- What conclusion is best supported by the idea . . .
- Which sentence from the story suggests . . .
- What sentence helps the reader know that the story is written in first person (or third person) point of view?



What is the best summary of this selection?

WRITE *moments*

nonfiction

Based on information in the selection, what is the most likely reason the author included the photograph or picture?

WRITE *moments*

nonfiction

How do the subheadings provide an overview of the selection?

WRITE *moments*

nonfiction

What is the main idea of the selection?

WRITE *moments*

nonfiction

Based on the information in the selection, what can the reader infer?

WRITE *moments*

nonfiction

What can the reader tell about the selection based on its title?

WRITE *moments*

nonfiction

Based on the details in the poem, which statement best describes how the speaker feels?

WRITE moments

poetry

What is the purpose of the first stanza in the poem?

WRITE moments

poetry

What type of figurative language is used in the poem?

WRITE moments

poetry

What is the message of the poem?

WRITE moments

poetry

What type of poetry is this?

How do you know?

WRITE moments

poetry

What do you visualize when you read the poem?

WRITE moments

poetry

Based on the details in the story, what can the reader infer?

WRITE moments

fiction

What conclusion can you make about the main character of the story?

WRITE moments

fiction

What point of view is the story told in?
How do you know?

WRITE moments

fiction

What is one character trait that describes the main character?

WRITE moments

fiction

What is the best summary of this selection?

WRITE moments

fiction

What is the lesson of the story?

WRITE moments

fiction

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