

Bloom's Taxonomy:

A Lesson Planning Tool
And
A Sequential Questioning Strategy

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Knowledge: Building the Informational Base

- Who wrote Uncle Tom's Cabin?
- What is the chemical symbol for iron?
- How many minutes in a basketball game?

Comprehension: Processing Information so that the Meaning is Clear

- Can you tell us, in your own words, the major events of the story so far?
- The book says that rust occurs when iron oxidizes. What does that mean?
- Who can find an example of an oxymoron in our poem?

Application: Apply Information to a New Situation

- Who can use what we know about sonnets and finish this poem?
- Now, we are trying to find the length of this diagonal line. Any ideas? What formula should we use?
- What Constitutional Rights are threatened by the new national security laws Congress passed?

Analysis: Ability to Take Apart the Complex to Show How it Works

- Write down the major historic events in the Middle East since 1948. How are these events interrelated and how do they help us understand today's situation?
- Let's look at this table to determine why it is so sturdy and why it has lasted so long.
- Who can tell me why this is such a strong paragraph?

Synthesis: Creating or Producing Something New with Current Knowledge

Using your video and computer production skills:

- Examine the decision to drop the bomb on Hiroshima. Was it the only way to end WW II or were there other valid options?
- Explain how the biological concept of symbiotic relationships could be used to help solve socially created problems like water pollution, overflowing garbage landfills, or homelessness.
- Create a work-plan for a community organization to successfully lobby city government to build a local park.

Evaluation: Making Value Judgments Based on Reason

- We've read several theories about why the dinosaurs disappeared. Which makes the most sense? Why?
- Was Hemingway a great American writer? First you will need to define greatness.
- How well did the North use its resources during the Civil War?