

Step The Question Formulation Technique

Step 1:

Review the rules for producing questions

- 1) Ask as many questions as you can
- 2) Change any statements into questions
- 3) Write down every question exactly as it is stated
- 4) Do not stop to discuss , judge or answer the questions

Step 2:

Introduce the Question Focus (QFocus):

Questions should be asked about _____.

Step 3:

Produce questions.

Step 4:

Improve Questions

- 1) Identify open and closed-ended questions
- 2) Change questions: select one question to change from open to closed-ended and one closed question to open-ended

Example: *Closed to Open*

Closed: Is vanilla your favorite flavor of ice cream?

Open: What is your favorite flavor of ice cream?

Step 5:

Prioritize questions

Stating lesson plan criteria or guidelines, ask students to identify 2-3 questions they think are most important.

Group Share out: Have each group share their rationale for choosing priority questions

Step 6:

Discuss next steps – “What are we going to do with these questions?”

Step 7:

Reflect: Individual and Group Reflection:

Ask a topic related question for students to reflect upon briefly in writing about what they have learned. Next, discuss and report as a group.

<http://rightquestion.org/qft-summative-assessment>

Video of Class QFT Demonstration 9:45 min.