

How to Participate in a QFocus Activity

1. Read the Prompt Carefully

- Your teacher will present a short statement, picture, or piece of evidence (the QFocus).
- Don't assume you know the answer yet—just pay attention to the details.

2. Ask Questions

- Write down THREE questions about the QFocus prompt.
- Don't stop to answer them yet.
- Keep them clear, simple, and in question form.

3. Classify Your Questions

- Look at your list and identify which are *closed* (yes/no) and which are *open* (require explanation).

4. Prioritize and Improve

- Choose the most important question you wrote that will help you understand the problem or mystery.
- If it is a closed question, turn it into an open question to dig deeper.

5. Discuss and Investigate

- Share your question with the group and discuss which question will yield the most useful information.
- Choose the best question generated by the group.
- Use new evidence (revealed by the teacher) to test, revise, or add to your questions.
- Work together to build possible explanations.

6. Formulate Conclusions

- Work together to build possible explanations.
- Combine the evidence and your best questions to form a conclusion.

7. Reflect

- Which questions helped increase my understanding the most? What questions would I still like answers to?

QFocus Prompt 1 Questions

My Questions	Closed or Open
Best Open Question I Generated:	
Top-Voted Open Group-generated Question:	

QFocus Prompt 2 Questions

My Questions	Closed or Open
Best Open Question I Generated:	
Top-Voted Open Group-generated Question:	

QFocus Prompt 3 Questions

My Questions	Closed or Open
Best Open Question I Generated:	
Top-Voted Open Group-generated Question:	

QFocus Prompt 4 Questions

My Questions	Closed or Open
Best Open Question I Generated:	
Top-Voted Open Group-generated Question:	

QFocus Prompt 5 Questions

My Questions	Closed or Open
Best Open Question I Generated:	
Top-Voted Open Group-generated Question:	

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Write 2–3 sentences explaining the most important things you learned from this unit, based on the questions we explored.

What is one new question you still have after finishing this unit?

Where might you go to look for answers?