Summer Reading Question Stems

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6th Grade Informational	6th Grade Literature
1. What conclusions can be drawn based on what you read in the article? 2. How did the individual/events/ideas change over the course of the text? 3. What is the main idea of this chapter, selection, or paragraph? 4. Use the text to support how the point of view/purpose is conveyed by the author. 5. What does the text suggest? 6. What is the central message in this text, what evidence supports that?	1. How does the author develop the narrator or speaker's point of view? 2. How did the author use word choice to impact meaning and tone? 3. At what point in the story did the character change? 4. Describe how the character develops with the plot? 5. How can you best summarize the text? 6. What you analyze the text, what inference can you make? 7. What does the (simile or metaphor) mean in this text? What is the theme of this text? What evidence supports that?

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7th-8th Grade Informational	7th-8th Grade Literature
1. What inferences can you draw from your analysis of the text? 2. How are the central ideas developed? 3. What interaction influenced future events? 4. What is the tone of the selection? 5. What effect do the text features have on the reader, and why? 6. What is the author's point of view or purpose? 7. How does reading the text compare to the audio or video version?	1. What textual evidence did you identify to support your analysis of the text? 2. What can you infer from this paragraph? Explain your thinking. 3. Cite evidence from the text to support your determination of the theme/central idea. 4. What can you infer about the plot or character and how is it shaped by the setting? 5. How does the use of dialogue help the reader understand character and plot? 6. How does the author's use of repetition of sounds impact the tone of the text? 7. How does the structure of the text contribute to its meaning? 8. What perspective or point of view does each character have?