COMPREHENSIVE QUESTIONS — Non-Fiction

CCSSR1: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text. CCSSR2: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.

1. **What is the topic?** __________________________________________
   *The topic is not the title.* What is the topic that the passage explains?

2. **Infer the main idea of a paragraph:** What is the main idea of the first paragraph?

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   Why do you think that is the main idea?

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3. **Infer the purpose:** What is the purpose of the passage? Why did the writer write it?

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   *Explain:* How do you know that is the purpose?

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4. **Classify Fact and Opinion:**

   What is an opinion in the passage?

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   *Explain:* How do you know it is an opinion?

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   What is a fact in the passage?

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   *Explain:* How do you know it is fact?
5. **Infer the main idea of a passage.** What is the main idea of the whole passage?

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Why do you think that is the main idea?

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6. **Write a summary.** Tell what is most important.

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