### Asking/Answering Different Types of Questions

(A modified version of the question-answer relationships, or QAR).

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| Answers:  
• are located in one place in the story  
• are often word-for-word from the text  
• are usually one sentence long | • Answers are more complex and often longer. They can be more than a sentence long.  
• Information to answer the question is found in several places in the text (across paragraphs and pages). The various pieces of information must be combined to create the answer. | Answers require that students:  
• think about information from the text,  
• what they already know about the topic,  
• and combine these to respond  
• Putting together the information they learned in the text with what they already know about the topic, will require that students draw conclusions, make connections, and/or make inferences. |

**Example:** The answer to “What did Maurice do when he got to the party?” is found on the first paragraph of page 17, in the sentence: “When Maurice got to the party, he asked Lisa to dance with him.”

**Example:** The answer to “What did Maurice do last weekend?” is found in several different places in the text. Page 17 tells us that he first went to a party, page 18 describes his trip to the zoo on Saturday, and page 21 has information about his visit to the Science Museum. One way to answer the question is: “On Friday he went to a party, on Saturday he visited the zoo, and on Sunday he went to see the dinosaurs at the Science Museum.”

**Example:**

- How do you think Maurice felt when Lisa did not want to dance with him?
- What would you have done if Lisa did not want to dance with you?
- Why do you think Maurice had a hard time getting up on Monday morning?
- Do you think Maurice went to all these places by himself? Why?
### Right Here Questions

- Questions can be answered by looking in the text
- Answers are located in one place in the story
- Answers can be found word-for-word in the text
- Questions can be answered in one sentence

### Here and There Questions

- Questions can be answered by looking in the text
- Answers are found in more than one place in the text and then put together
- Answers require one or more sentences

### Using What I Know Questions

- Questions cannot be answered by looking in the text
- Think about the information in the text
- Think about what you already know
- Put these together to answer the question

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