

Restorative Questions for Teachers

This download contains sets of questions to help deal with students in conflict. This particular list is taken from the Restorative Practices Mini Conference Dialogue.

These questions are used when one student has harmed another.

- 1. Arrange an appropriate place to meet the students.
- 2. Use this download to help organise the session.
- 3. Remember the power of encouraging the students to reflect on their own behaviour, listen to how it has affected others and to then create their own restorative changes.

Restorative Questions

To the person who has caused harm

Can you tell me what happened?
What were you thinking of at the time?
What have you thought about since?
Who do you think has been affected?
How do you think they have been affected?

To the person who has been affected

What was your reaction at the time of the incident? How do you feel about what happened? How have you been affected? What has been the hardest thing for you?

To the person who has done the harm

Is there anything else you want to say?
What would you like to see happen to repair the harm?
Is this fair?
Is this realistic and achievable?

(Any agreement reached at this stage can be recorded)

To both people

Is there anything else you would like to say?
I would like to thank you for the way you worked through these issues.
Maybe we could meet again soon to see how things are going..........(arrange this).

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