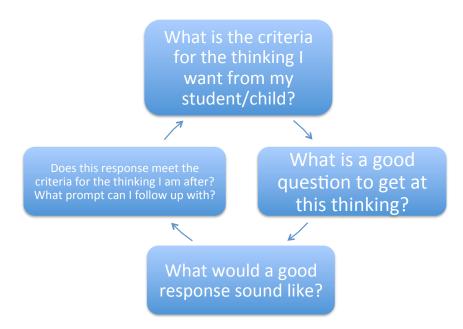
Defining literal, inferential and critical thinking

- 1. **Literal**: right there questions, answered with facts from the text
- 2. **Inferential**: using clues from the text and prior knowledge to determine what's not being stated directly (in one text location- e.g. a sentence or paragraph)
- 3. **Critical**: Using prior knowledge, facts and inferences from across the text to develop an interpretation; multiple interpretations are acceptable

Eliciting Literal, inferential and critical thinking:

Open-ended prompts
"Tell me more."
"What in the story makes you think
that?"
"Why is that important?"
"Why do you think that?"
Repeat question

Plan ahead!!



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