

First Days of School Activities

Ideas: (1) Cut out each strip. Hand them out randomly to student teams. Let students choose one question per team to discuss and then share answers aloud. (2) Print one copy for each student. Have them glue it to the top of their journals and then write to answer the question for ten minutes. (3) Cut out and put in a “hat.” For morning meeting, the teacher pulls out and answers herself before asking for volunteers. *Have fun with it!*

What is a saying or an expression that you probably say too often?

Do you put your milk over the cereal or put the milk in the bowl first?

What is one invention that you would want to un-invent?

What is your favorite smell?

What is the best color combination?

If they really colonize Mars, do you want to go?

When you are daydreaming, what you daydream about?

You have two options: NEVER leave Visalia or never return to Visalia.

Which one do you choose?

If you were given the opportunity to change your entire name, what would you change it to?

Is a hot dog a sandwich?

What song do you know ALL the words to... willingly or not?

If money and language were no object, where would you live?

What qualities does the best teacher have?

What qualities does the best student have?

What qualities does the worst student have?

If you could travel in time, would you go forward or back? Why?

Is there an app you hate, but use anyway?

What is your oldest memory?

What is something you do that you think bothers other people?

What is something that you do so well that you can brag about it... but usually don't?

What is an unwritten rule in school? In other words, what is a rule among the kids that the teacher don't really know?

What do you do when you can't sleep at night?

Have you ever had a chance to do something.. and then passed it up?

What happened?

What have you done that your future self is going to thank you for?