

## Questioning

Using good questioning techniques before studying a subject or reading a book is a good way to generate interest. One good questioning routine (Harvard Project Zero) is to let students write on post-it notes what they *think* they know about the subject. The post-it notes can be put on a poster to refer to later after reading/studying has been done.

Then students can be asked what they would *like* to know about the subject. These questions are also written on post-it notes and put on a poster to guide the learning.

After reading or studying, it's interesting to see how students change from what they first *thought* about the subject as compared to what they now *know*. Many times the '*what I would like to know*' questions lead to enhanced interest and further research.

# Questioning

What I *Think* I Know About the Battle of Chickamauga:

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What I Would *Like* to Know About the Battle of Chickamauga:

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# Questioning

Read to find out. (pre-reading)  
Chapters 1-6

- 1) What happens when Little Blue meets Little Gray?
- 2) Why is Johnny marching south toward Chickamauga Creek?
- 3) Why are Johnny and Charlie with the armies?
- 4) Why do Charlie's friends give him their personal things?
- 5) Who is Big Ben?
- 6) What are Charlie's responsibilities during the battle?
- 7) What happens to Charlie on his way to General Forrest?
- 8) What happens when he meets General Forrest?

After reading chapter 6, what questions do you have?

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# Questioning

Read to find out. (pre-reading)  
Chapters 7-11

- 1) Why is it hard for Charlie to sleep at night?
- 2) When Johnny's troops stop, what sight shocks him?
- 3) Who is Lieutenant William?
- 4) What happens to Johnny and Lieutenant William at dusk?
- 5) Why is Charlie on the battlefield alone?
- 6) What happens during the second day of the battle?
- 7) How do Lieutenant William and Johnny escape?
- 8) What is Johnny's idea to save the lieutenant and himself?
- 9) What surprising thing does Charlie find on the battlefield?

After reading chapter 11, what questions do you have?

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