**Question Formulation Technique – QFT**

QFocus

Choosing a question focus:

* + It has a clear focus.
  + It is not a question.
  + It provokes and stimulates new lines of thinking.
  + It does not reveal teacher preference or bias (Sometimes pollution is acceptable, Torture can be justified, Dark chocolate has some health benefits, Use an image or video).

Step 1

Produce your own questions :

* Ask as many questions as you can.
* Don’t stop to discuss, judge or answer the questions.
* Write down every question exactly as it is stated.
* Change any statements to questions.

Step 2

Improve your questions:

* Categorise the questions as closed or open-ended. Closed-ended questions can be answered with a yes or a not or with one word. Mark with a C. Open ended questions require an explanation and cannot be answered with a yes or no or with one word. Mark with an O.

Identify the value of each type of question:

* + The advantages and disadvantages of asking closed-ended questions.
  + The advantages and disadvantages of asking open-ended questions.

Change the questions from one type to the other:

* + Change closed-ended questions to open-ended questions.
  + Change open-ended questions to closed-ended questions.

Step 3

Prioritize your questions:

* Choose your 3 most important questions.
* Why did you choose these 3 as the most important?