

PROBING PHRASES

1. How does that relate to....?
2. Can you give me another example of....?
3. Can you tell me about a time when you saw something like this happen in real life....
4. Can you draw a picture?
5. Can you tell me what you mean by _____(a scientific word)?
6. How could you demonstrate this idea using _____materials?
7. Can you tell me where you have seen_____ before?
8. Can you tell me how _____ relates to the subject as a whole?
9. Could you expand on that further?
10. Can you explain (a phenomena) in more detail?
11. Could you give me another word for this?
12. How does this concept relate to the topic as a whole?
13. Can you give me an example of this occurring in real life?
14. Can you compare the example that you just gave with the concepts we have been developing?
15. Can you tell me why you think this example applies to_____?
16. How does that explain why_____?
17. Can you elaborate on what you meant when you said that?
18. Can you draw a comparison between what you see happening here and what you observed previously in class?
19. Can you explain your example in different words?
20. Can you provide a real-life analogy to describe the scientific concept you have identified?
21. How might this knowledge be used/applied/used in everyday life?