## Kindergarten Reading Literature Question Stems

**Key Ideas & Details** 

Standard	Question Stem
RL.K.1 With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text.	<ul> <li>Who was in this book? What do we know about them?</li> <li>When did (event) happen? Where is that in the book?</li> <li>Why did (event) happen? How do you know?</li> <li>What does (character) think about (event)? How do you know?</li> <li>What was the big problem or event in this story? How did they solve the problem?</li> <li>What do you think (character) will do different next time?</li> </ul>
RL.K.2 With prompting and support, retell familiar stories, including key details.	<ul> <li>What happened at the beginning of the story?</li> <li>What happened in the middle of the story?</li> <li>What happened at the end of the story?</li> <li>If you tell a friend about this story, what will you say?</li> </ul>
RL.K.3 With prompting and support, identify characters, settings, and major events in a story.	<ul> <li>Who is (character name)? What happened to him/her in this story?</li> <li>How is (character 1) different from (character 2)? Where does the book show or say that?</li> <li>How are (character 1) and (character 2) the same? Where does the book show or say that?</li> <li>Where is this story happening? How do you know?</li> <li>Who is talking in the story?</li> </ul>

## Craft & Structure

Standard	Question Stem
RL.K.4 Ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text.	<ul> <li>What does this word mean? How do you know?</li> <li>What does this picture tell you?</li> <li>What word in the story tells what sound makes?</li> <li>Are there any words that confuse you?</li> </ul>
RL.K.5 Recognize common types of texts (e.g., storybooks, poems).	<ul> <li>What kind of story is this?</li> <li>Is this a real (nonfiction) or made-up (fiction) story? How do you know?</li> <li>Is this story realistic or fantasy? How do you know?</li> </ul>
RL.K.6 With prompting and support, name the author and illustrator of a story and define the role of each in telling the story.	<ul> <li>What does the author of a story do?</li> <li>Who is the author of this book? Where can you find out?</li> <li>What does the illustrator of a story do?</li> <li>Who is the illustrator of this book? Where can you find out?</li> </ul>

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RL.K.7 With prompting and support, describe the relationship between illustrations and the story in which they appear (e.g., what moment in a story an illustration depicts).	<ul> <li>What does this illustration show?</li> <li>How do the pictures make you feel?</li> <li>The story says (insert quote). Where do you see that happening in the illustrations?</li> <li>Can you draw a picture to show what happened in the book? What detail does your picture show?</li> </ul>
RL.K.8 Not applicable fo- literature	
RL.K.9 With prompting and support, compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in familiar stories.	<ul> <li>How is (character from book 1) like (character from book 2)?</li> <li>How would (character from a different story) have acted if they were in this story?</li> <li>What does (character) do that a real person/animal cannot?</li> <li>How is this character like you? How are they different?</li> <li>Do you think (character from book 1) would be friends with (character from book 2)?</li> </ul>

## Kindergarten Reading Information Question Stems

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Standard	Question Stem
RI.K.1 With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text.	<ul> <li>Be the teacher! What questions would a teacher ask about this book?</li> <li>Who / What / Where / When / Why questions such as: <ul> <li>Who (action e.g. first landed on the moon)? Where does it tell you that in the book?</li> <li>Where (do clown fish live)? Where does it tell you that in the book?</li> </ul> </li> <li>How questions such as: <ul> <li>How do you know whales are mammals?</li> <li>How is a lizard like an alligator?</li> </ul> </li> <li>What is a different title for this book?</li> <li>What facts did you learn about (topic)?</li> </ul>
RI.K.2 With prompting and support, identify the main topic and retell key details of a text.	<ul> <li>Look at the pictures to help tell what you learned.</li> <li>What facts did you learn about (topic)?</li> <li>How are alike? How are different?</li> <li>Why did the author write this?</li> <li>What do you think the author wants the readers to know?</li> </ul>
RI.K.3 With prompting and support, describe the connection between two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text.	<ul> <li>What is the same in all the pictures?</li> <li>The words say (insert quote). Where do the pictures show those words?</li> <li>We read (text 1) and (text 2). How are they the same? How are they different?</li> <li>What is (person/animal/machine) doing in the pictures? What does the author say about (the action)?</li> </ul>

## **Craft & Structure**

Standard	Question Stem
RI.K.4	<ul> <li>How do the words and pictures show (vocabulary word)?</li> </ul>
With prompting and	<ul> <li>What does the word mean?</li> </ul>
support, ask and answer	<ul> <li>What word in the story tells what sound makes?</li> </ul>
questions about unknown	<ul> <li>Are there any words that confuse you?</li> </ul>
words in a text.	<ul> <li>What categories would you put these in? What are examples of</li> </ul>
	things that are?
RI.K.5	<ul> <li>What is on the cover of this book?</li> </ul>
Identify the front cover,	<ul> <li>What is on the back cover of this book?</li> </ul>
back cover, and title page	Where is the title page?
of a book.	<ul> <li>What kinds of information do you see on the cover page?</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>What is the title? Is this a good title? Why or why not?</li> </ul>