

Grade 5 Drama: List of Suggested Thought Tracking Questions

While students are frozen in their tableaux of newspaper photos, tap each student on the shoulder and ask them a question. Students should answer in role, as the characters they have developed. If a student is answering successfully in role, feel free to continue asking her/him questions in order to further develop the character.

IMPORTANT: The most difficult part of asking students questions in role is to limit the number of closed questions. These questions do not encourage students to think beyond a simple response. Instead, try to phrase questions in ways that promote explanations and lengthy responses.

Here is a list of possible questions to get you started...

Who are you here with today during this great celebration?

What is the best part of this municipal holiday?

How did this holiday begin?

What are some of the traditions associated with this day?

Why do you look forward to this day each year?

How is your holiday different from those of neighbouring communities?

You look like you are having a great time. Can you explain what you are doing?