



# The Language of Learning

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Respect



Resilience



Creativity



Ownership

**“The important thing is to not stop questioning”**

**Albert Einstein**

**Questions kick start learning**



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# Why does questioning matter?

Questioning helps us to;  
Understand new ideas  
Challenge assumptions  
Solve problems  
Develop confidence  
Learn from others



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There are several types of questions used in the classroom, the best questions help us develop our learning;

Open questions like –

Why do you think Edinburgh is Scotland's capital?

How might homework help learning?

These questions allow for thinking and discussion and leads to a better understanding.

Teachers and pupils can take this further using follow up questions;

You might hear a teacher say;

Can you explain that in a different way? Or How does this connect to your previous learning? Or what would happen if....?



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Questioning for life  
People who ask questions become;  
Effective Leaders  
Skilled problem solvers  
Creative thinkers  
Better communicators



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Accomplish BIG Things With a

# GROWTH MINDSET!

Success Begins With Believing You Can



## Instead of Thinking...

- I can't do it.
- I'm not good at this.
- It's good enough.
- It's too hard.
- I'm afraid of making a mistake.
- They are better at it than I am.
- I don't know how.
- I can't make this any better.
- I don't like challenges.
- I give up.

## Think This...

- I'm still learning. I'll keep trying!
- What can I learn to get better at this?
- Is this the best I can do?
- With more practice it will get easier!
- Mistakes are how I learn & get better!
- What can I learn from them?
- I can learn how!
- I can always find ways to improve!
- Challenges make me better!
- I'll try a different way!



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# Challenge!

Over the next week I challenge you to:

Ask 1 question to help you to learn  
Ask 1 question about something you are curious  
about.



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# Have a successful week of learning



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