Creating Text-Dependent Questions

**Step 1**
Identify the Core Understandings, Key Ideas of the Text, and the Standards

- Create questions related to your overall goal for using the text.
- Create questions specific to standards

**Step 2**
Create the Culminating Assessment

- Reflects mastery of standard(s)
- Involve writing
- Completed by students independently

**Step 3**
Start Small to Build Confidence

- Create a right there question

**Step 4**
Target Vocabulary and Text Structure

- Create questions related to words essential to understanding
- Create questions related to the structure and organization of the text.
- Create questions related to abstract concepts and ideas.

**Step 5**
Tackle Tough Sections Head-On

- Create questions related to abstract concepts and ideas.
- Create questions related to difficult syntax, dense information, and inferences.

**Step 6**
Analyze the Sentences and Words

- Create questions about specific sentences or paragraphs
- Create questions about why the author chose specific words

**Step 7**
Create Coherent Sequences of Text-Dependent Questions

- Arrange questions to develop a gradual, coherent understanding of the text