

Calendar Year End Questions to Help You Reflect & Get Excited for January



In December, we're given the time and space to step away from the activity of the fall and look back. So, let's use this time well.

We encourage you to take just **five minutes with each of these 10 questions**; print these out, and bring the physical copy into the classroom with you. Don't overthink your responses; respond with your gut reaction.

- 1. How are you caring for yourself?**
- 2. Which current practices are working really well? Why are they working well?**
- 3. What's been bugging you all year that you haven't changed? Can you change it now?**
- 4. Is the classroom community functioning for you? For students?**
- 5. Do you have adequate time built into your schedule for independent reading and writing and a daily read aloud? If not, can you make adjustments?**
- 6. How is your morning routine? What is working? What could change?**
- 7. How are you keeping track of the things you learn about your students, and how will you respond to what you learned from that information and/or insight?**
- 8. How are you staying in touch with parents/caregivers?**
- 9. What are you learning this year? How's it going?**
- 10. What are you most looking forward to in the second semester?**

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Questions for your Students

1. **What routines are working well in our classroom?**
Why do you think they are working?
 2. **Are there routines or processes in our classroom that aren't working?**
What isn't working?
 3. **What have you learned about yourself as a learner so far this year?**
 4. **What do you think you need to work on in the second semester?**
 5. **What has been your favorite thing about our classroom in the first semester?**
What are you looking forward to in the next semester?
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Questions for Parents and/or Caregivers

1. **What positive growth have you seen in your student so far this school year?**
2. **What is working well for you with communication from me?**
How can I make communication more helpful in 2023?
3. **What is one goal you have for your student before they wrap up this school year?**
4. **If the school were to host a parent workshop, what are three topics you would like to have support in?**
5. **Where have you seen your student using their learning from school in their everyday life?** (For example, they have started seeing their science concepts around the house.)