

EXPLORING CRITICAL THINKING QUESTIONS THROUGH COOPERATIVE LEARNING

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This workshop will focus on learning cooperative learning strategies by using the content of the types of questions we ask as teachers to encourage and promote critical thinking, as well as helping the students realize the importance of questions, too, in order to pass the baton from us (the teachers) to them (the students). The workshop will serve a dual purpose: helping teachers understand the importance of cooperative learning and how to incorporate team work in every class as well as showing how content (in this case Critical Thinking Questions) drives the various types of cooperative learning structures, like jigsaw or fan-n-pick, we choose to use in our classes. The ultimate goal is helping the students move toward becoming autonomous learners.