

Whip: (1-word answers – low risk)

1. What is your favorite color?
2. What is something that made you smile today?
3. What is your favorite food?
4. What is your favorite game to play at recess?
5. If you had a superpower, what would it be?
6. What is your favorite subject in school?
7. What is your favorite holiday or celebration?
8. What is something you are thankful for today?
9. What is your favorite song or dance?
10. What is your favorite playground activity?
11. What is a silly face you like to make?
12. What is your favorite ice cream flavor?
13. If you could be any animal, what would you be?
14. What is something that always makes you laugh?
15. What is something you're looking forward to this week?
16. What is a book or story you really like?
17. What is your favorite thing to do after school?
18. What is your favorite cartoon or show?
19. What is something that makes you feel happy?
20. What is a sound or place that makes you feel peaceful?

*Can include, “and why” to increase engagement

Community Building Questions (belonging, kindness, teamwork)

21. What makes a good friend?
22. What is a way you can show kindness to others?
23. What is something a friend has done for you that felt good?
24. How do you feel when you help a friend?
25. How can we make our classroom feel safe for everyone?
26. What makes our class special?
27. What is a way to invite someone new into your group?
28. What does it mean to respect others?
29. How do you feel when someone includes you?
30. What is a way you can make someone's day better?
31. What helps everyone feel included?
32. What does teamwork mean to you?
33. What is something you appreciate about a friend?
34. Who is someone that made you laugh recently?
35. Who is someone you're grateful for and why?
36. What is something you love about our class?
37. What is something you like about our school?
38. How do you feel when someone listens to you?
39. How can we take care of our classroom together?
40. What is a way to welcome new students?

Problem-Solving Questions (repairing harm, reflection, accountability)

41. What is something you can do when you disagree with a friend?
42. How can you use words instead of actions when upset?
43. What is a way to share fairly?
44. What can you do if you see someone being left out?
45. What is a way to solve a problem together?
46. How can you show respect during an argument?
47. What is something that helps you calm down when you're mad?
48. What is a way to say "sorry" and mean it?
49. How do you feel when someone apologizes to you?
50. What is a way to make things right after a mistake?
51. What is a subject you find challenging?
52. What helps you when you don't understand something?
53. What is something you are working to get better at?
54. What is something you can do when you make a mistake?
55. How do you feel when someone doesn't listen to you?
56. What is something that makes you feel frustrated?
57. What is a time you didn't give up even when it was hard?
58. What is a way you can be a role model for others?
59. How can classmates help each other in learning?
60. What is a way to keep trying even when things are tough?

Reflection Questions (gratitude, growth, hope)

61. What is something you are proud of?
62. What is something new you tried and liked?
63. What is something new you tried and didn't like?
64. What is something you learned about yourself this year?
65. How do you feel when you finish something hard?
66. What is a goal you have for this school year?
67. What is something you are thankful for today?
68. What is a special memory you're grateful for?
69. What is something small that makes you happy?
70. What is something you love about yourself?
71. What is your favorite rainy day activity?
72. What is your favorite thing to do on the weekend?
73. What is your favorite project you've done?
74. What is something new you'd like to learn?
75. If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?
76. If you could invent something, what would it be?
77. What would your dream classroom look like?
78. If you could make one rule for the world, what would it be?
79. What is a way we can celebrate learning together?
80. How do you feel when you help others succeed?
81. If you could design a new holiday, what would it be?

100 Classroom Based Restorative Circle Prompts

82. What would you build if you had unlimited blocks or Legos?
83. If you could live inside a storybook, which one would it be?
84. If you could talk to an animal, which one would you choose?
85. What is your favorite thing about today?
86. What is something you're excited to do tomorrow?
87. What is a way you can make tomorrow better for yourself?
88. What is a way you can make tomorrow better for someone else?
89. What is something you'll take with you from today's circle?
90. How do you feel right now compared to when we started circle?
91. What is something you want to remember from today?
92. What is one thing you're looking forward to this month?
93. If you could give advice to someone younger than you, what would it be?
94. What is something that makes you feel calm?
95. What is something that makes you feel proud?
96. What is something you want to practice more often?
97. What is a wish you have for our class?
98. What is a wish you have for yourself?
99. What is a wish you have for the world?
100. What's one word you'd use to close our circle today?

Process Circle Questions

- How did you feel when _____?
- How do you feel now?
- What needs to happen to make things right?
- What can you do to make things right?
- What can you do after this circle to make things right?

Restorative Circle Questions

- What occurred?
- What was your role?
- Who was impacted?
- How were they impacted?
- What needs to happen to make things right?
- What can you do to make things right?
- If I asked the other person the same question, would they answer differently?