

Critical Conversation Starters

Thank you for participating in our workshop about facilitating critical conversations!

This document is a living resource of conversation starters and ideas to promote inquiry, reflection, and action.

Questions to get things going

In what ways did you talk about race growing up? In school?

In what ways have elements of your identity influenced the way in which you experience school?

What does your network look like - did your classmates look like you?

What is something you learned as an adult that you think you should have learned about in school?

When did you first realize your racial identity?

How do you think a child's race influences their way of thinking and being in class?

In what ways do assumptions about 'types' of students influence the kinds of opportunities they might get?