

## ***Probing Questions Rubric***

	<b>The question:</b>	Yes	No
<b>Description of Question</b>	avoids yes/no responses		
	is open-ended		
	is brief		
	allows for multiple responses		
<b>Discussion and Thinking</b>	facilitates meaningful conversation		
	provides opportunities for focused student discussion		
	encourages students to think BEFORE answering		
	encourages deep and full response to the question		
	moves thinking and discussion from reaction to reflection		
<b>References</b>	encourages reflective thinking		
	references learning behaviors		
	references thinking strategies		
	references resources available to students		
	references strategies for deconstructing a task		
<b>Problem Solving</b>	references teacher expectations - it is difficult for me to know what this type of question would sound like		
	provides opportunities for problem solving		
	encourages students to explore alternative solutions (think outside the box)		
	encourages students to ask additional questions		
	empowers the student to solve his or her own problem (rather than deferring to someone with greater or different expertise)		
	requires students to use critical thinking skills to gather, analyze, evaluate, and prioritize relevant data		
<b>Concept Development</b>	offers appropriate, relevant, and accurate advice on the problem to be solved		
	helps students demonstrate prior knowledge of a concept		
	focuses on concept understanding		
<b>24-7 Learning</b>	helps students understand the most important aspects of a project		
	encourages connections to out-of-school experiences		
	encourages students to seek out experts in a specific area of expertise		
<b>Paradigm Shift</b>	emphasizes the importance of collaboration with peers		
	helps students take responsible for their own learning		
	encourages students to set personal learning goals		
	encourages students to consider other perspectives		
	helps students become more thoughtful judges of the quality of their own and others' work		
	helps define quality of process and product		
	Excellent Probing Question: 25+		
	Probing Question: 20-24		
	Non-Probing Question: Below 20		