

50 Questions To Ask Your Kids Instead Of Asking "How Was Your Day"

- 1. What made you smile today?
- 2. Can you tell me an example of kindness you saw/showed?
- 3. Was there an example of unkindness? How did you respond?
- 4. Does everyone have a friend at recess?
- 5. What was the book about that your teacher read?
- 6. What's the word of the week?
- 7. Did anyone do anything silly to make you laugh?
- 8. Did anyone cry?
- 9. What did you do that was creative?
- 10. What is the most popular game at recess?
- 11. What was the best thing that happened today?
- 12. Did you help anyone today?
- 13. Did you tell anyone "thank you?"
- 14. Who did you sit with at lunch?
- 15. What made you laugh?
- 16. Did you learn something you didn't understand?
- 17. Who inspired you today?
- 18. What was the peak and the pit?
- 19. What was your least favorite part of the day?
- 20. Was anyone in your class gone today?
- 21. Did you ever feel unsafe?
- 22. What is something you heard that surprised you?
- 23. What is something you saw that made you think?
- 24. Who did you play with today?
- 25. Tell me something you know today that you didn't know yesterday.
- 26. What is something that challenged you?
- 27. How did someone fill your bucket today? Whose bucket did you fill?
- 28. Did you like your lunch?
- 29. Rate your day on a scale from 1-10.
- 30. Did anyone get in trouble today?
- 31. How were you brave today?
- 32. What questions did you ask at school today?
- 33. Tell us your top two things from the day (at the dinner table!).
- 34. What are you looking forward to tomorrow?
- 35. What are you reading?
- 36. What was the hardest rule to follow today?
- 37. Teach me something I don't know.
- 38. If you could change one thing about your day, what would it be?
- 39. (For older kids): Do you feel prepared for your history test?" or, "Is there anything on your mind that you'd like to talk about?" (In my opinion, the key is not only the way a question is phrased, but responding in a supportive way.)
- 40. Who did you share your snacks with at lunch?
- 41. What made your teacher smile? What made her frown?
- 42. What kind of person were you today?
- 43. What made you feel happy?
- 44. What made you feel proud?
- 45. What made you feel loved?
- 46. Did you learn any new words today?
- 47. What do you hope to do before school is out for the year?
- 48. If you could switch seats with anyone in class, who would it be? And why?
- 49. What is your least favorite part of the school building? And favorite?
- 50. If you switched places with your teacher tomorrow, what would you teach the class?