**Book Conference Questions**

**Setting Questions**

1. Where and when does the story take place? How do you know?
2. Which part of the story best describes the setting? Why? How?
3. Do you know a place like the one in the book? Where is it? Describe how it’s similar and different from the story’s setting.
4. How does the author create the atmosphere for the setting?

**Mood Questions**

1. How did you feel while reading this book? Why did you feel that way?
2. What were your favorite and least favorite parts?
3. What did the author do to make the reader feel certain emotions?
4. Does the mood of the story change throughout the text? How? Where? Why?

**Style Questions**

1. How does the author keep you interested in the story.
2. What pictures does the author leave in your mind?
3. What special words or “lively language” does the author use?
4. Is there anything that makes this author’s perspective or style unique?

**Author Questions**

1. Why do you think the author wrote this book?
2. What is the author trying to tell us?
3. What did the author have to know to write this book?
4. What would you ask the author if she or he were here?
5. What did the author do to hook the reader?

**Character Questions**

1. Who are the main characters? Describe them.
2. Would you like to be any of the characters?
3. Do some characters seem more believable than others?
4. How do the characters change in the story? What makes or helps them change?
5. Do any of the characters remind you of people you know or characters in other stories?
6. Describe how the characters or people are similar and different.
7. Would you like this character as your friend? Why or why not?

**Plot Questions**

1. What was the sequence of events in the story?
2. Were you able to predict the ending? Why or why not?
3. Which part was the most important in the story? Why?
4. What other ways could the story have ended?
5. Is there a main point, message, or theme to the story?