Quick Guide to Question Types.

1. **Factual/Direct Question**
   A factual (literal) question requires you to locate answers/information in the text.

   A factual question usually begins with:
   **What/Who/When/Where/How.**
   **Why (cause & effect)**

   **Factual Questions** may ask you to:
   a) Make comparisons / find similarities and differences

2. **Inferential Question**
   An inferential question requires you to look for **contextual clues** given in the text. It requires you to give your own reason.

   An inferential question may begin with: “Suggest a reason…” / “Why do you think..”

3. **Language Use**
   a) **Factual / Vocabulary Question**
      It requires you to locate the answer (phrase) and paraphrase.

      A factual/vocabulary question usually has:
      **In your own words…**

   b) **Inferential/ Vocabulary Question (Language for Impact)**
      Looks at the writer’s intention when he uses a particular word
      Or Evaluates the effectiveness of the word/phrases used in bringing meaning across

      You will need to look at the given word/phrase first. Understand its meaning. Then explain the reason for its use.

      Language for Impact Questions may look like this:

      **What does the phrase suggest about the writer's feelings?**
      **How effective is the phrase in suggesting that….**