

Example: Five Reasons Deep

Problem statement: Our students are not doing well in reading nonfiction.

Q1. Why aren't the students doing well reading nonfiction?

- Our textbooks don't cover this area well.

Q2. Why is the textbook's omission keeping us from doing it?

- Most of our teachers depend upon the textbook.

Q3. Why stick to the text if it doesn't cover the new standards?

- We are not sure exactly who is responsible for teaching those skills.

Q4. Why does this confusion exist?

- Teachers need specific information about who is responsible and how we will assess these indicators in each content area.

Q5: _____

- Response 5

Hypothesis for solution to problem statement: If we do curriculum mapping and follow through with inter-department discussions, we will improve student achievement in all areas.