A Typology of Classroom Questions

- **Review**: Recalling and reviewing of Knowledge and information
  - Terminology
  - Procedures
  - Content
  - Events and context

- **Procedural**: Directing the work of the class
  - Going over directions and assignments
  - Clarifying
  - Checking for attention, agreement.
  - Task completion
  - Organizational and management related

- **Generative**: Exploring the topic
  - Authentic questions or wonders that teacher doesn’t know the answer to.
  - Essential questions that initiate exploration of a topic

- **Constructive**: Building New Understanding
  - Extending & Interpreting
  - Connecting & Linking
  - Orienting and focusing on big ideas, central concepts, or purpose
  - Evaluating

- **Facilitative**: Promotes the learner’s own thinking & understanding
  - Requesting elaboration, reasons, evidence, justification
  - Generating discussion among the class to hear different perspectives
  - Clarifying and Uncovering