

Find the Implicit Questions: Unit 3

Overview:

Here is a handout students can do to review Unit 3 Model Sentences and get some practice at a key skill for making longer answers- finding the implicit questions hidden within every answer. This activity is modelled after the one on page 25 and is quite effective for helping students gain sensitivity and awareness to implicit questions. While an easy concept to grasp, students will often need extra practice in sussing them out. Over time, they will learn to sense these questions and answer them automatically before there is need for the partner to ask them out loud.

Feel free to use this handout in class if you have some extra time, as a homework assignment, or even as a short quiz. Print out the answer key and have your students check their answers if you'd like to save some work on marking papers. Alternately, you could go over the answers in class. Note that there are other possible correct answers- implicit questions don't necessarily need to be fully formed complete sentences. Use your judgement when looking over your students' work.

While I'm at it, here's another idea for you: After going over the answers, have students work in pairs to ask each other these questions. Students then need to make long answers that answer the implicit questions on the handout. This will allow everyone to personalize this task and get a bit of speaking practice in.

If you would like to receive a .docx version that you can edit and customize yourself, please get in touch! I'd be happy to email it to you.

Good luck! I hope this handout helps. If you have any ideas for improving it, I'm all ears!

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Name: _____

What are the implicit questions which correspond with these answers?

下の答えの中の下線部に対応する「暗黙の質問」は何でしょうか？

Question: What's your hometown famous for?

Answer: It's well-known for beautiful nature. There are a lot of gorgeous mountains and rivers.
1

Implicit Question 1: _____

Question: What are some fun things to do there?

Answer: If you like outdoor sports, you should try rafting. You can also go skiing in the winter.
2

Implicit Question 2: _____

Question: Are there any special foods to try?

Answer: Yes. If you like sweets, try the yatsushashi. The tofu is also really good.
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Implicit Question 3: _____

Implicit Question 4: _____

Question: What do you like about living there?

Answer: Well, it's nice and quiet. The weather is good, and the people are quite friendly.
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Implicit Question 5: _____

Implicit Question 6: _____

Question: What do you not like about living there?

Answer: Hm... it's too boring. There is nothing to do at night. The shopping is also nothing special.
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Implicit Question 7: _____

Implicit Question 8: _____

Question: Where would you like to live in the future?

Answer: Good question... um, I would like to live abroad, maybe in the USA, on the west coast.
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Implicit Question 9: _____

Implicit Question 10: _____

Answer: I'd like to live in a small city, like Toyama. I want to be close to my family.
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Implicit Question 11: _____

Implicit Question 12: _____

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(ANSWER KEY)

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Implicit Question 1: *What kind of nature?*

Question: What are some fun things to do there?

Answer: If you like outdoor sports, you should try rafting. You can also go skiing in the winter.
2

Implicit Question 2: *What else can you do?*

Question: Are there any special foods to try?

Answer: Yes. If you like sweets, try the yatsushashi. The tofu is also really good.
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Implicit Question 3: *For example? / What kind of sweets?*

Implicit Question 4: *What else is good?*

Question: What do you like about living there?

Answer: Well, it's nice and quiet. The weather is good, and the people are quite friendly.
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Implicit Question 5: *How's the weather?*

Implicit Question 6: *How are the people?*

Question: What do you not like about living there?

Answer: Hm... it's too boring. There is nothing to do at night. The shopping is also nothing special.
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Implicit Question 7: *Why is it boring?*

Implicit Question 8: *How is the shopping?*

Question: Where would you like to live in the future?

Answer: Good question... um, I would like to live abroad, maybe in the USA, on the west coast.
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Implicit Question 9: *Where abroad?*

Implicit Question 10: *Where in the USA?*

Answer: I'd like to live in a small city, like Toyama. I want to be close to my family.
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Implicit Question 11: *For example? / Which small city?*

Implicit Question 12: *Why?*