

# *Message from Me*

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**Who**

**Who** (did you play with outside today, had a birthday this week, liked the snack today, read you a story)?

**What**

**What was your favorite part about** (today, the show that we watched, being outside, doing this art project, this story)?

**What is your favorite** (character, book, color, ice cream, food, toy, shape, movie, sound) **and why?**

**What do you think would happen** (if we mix yellow and blue together, if we mix pink and yellow together, if we had an opposite day)?

**What would you do** (first, if you were a bug)?

**What would you see** (if you were a giraffe or an ant)?

**Why**

**Why do you think** (the leaves are turning different colors, some people like dogs or cats)?

**Why don't you tell me** (what happened in this book)?

**Why did you not like** (a certain subject) **today?**

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**Where is** (your favorite spot in the classroom, at home, or outside)?

**Where did you** (play today, find these pretty leaves, go on your walk)?

## When

**When you** (dream what are you dreaming about, look in the mirror who do you see, are having a bad day what makes you feel better)?

**When did you** (build a fort, see an animal outside, see shapes, help a friend or a classmate)?

**When you are looking** (at this book do you see any words or pictures that are interesting, at something from various views what do you see)?

## How

**How is** (your day going, school)?

**How did you** (make that, imagine that)?

**How could we change** (our frown to a smile, the ending of this story)?

**How many** (blocks were used to make your tower, different colors did you use in your artwork, books will we be reading, different faces can we make - happy, excited, nervous, scared, angry, sad, tired, grumpy)?