Framing Questions for Lesson Planning

Framing Questions for All Students:

- What are the big ideas and culminating performance tasks of the larger unit of study, and how does this lesson build toward them?
- What are the learning targets for this lesson, and what should students be able to do at the end of the lesson?
- Which clusters of CA CCSS for ELA/Literacy does this lesson address?
- What background knowledge, skills, and experiences do my students have related to this lesson?
- How complex are the texts and tasks I'll use?
- How will students make meaning, express themselves effectively, develop language, learn content? How will they apply or learn foundational skills?
- What types of scaffolding, accommodations, or modifications will individual students need for effectively engaging in the lesson tasks?
- How will my students and I monitor learning during and after the lesson, and how will that inform instruction?

Add for English Learners:

- What are the English language proficiency levels of my students?
- Which CA ELD Standards amplify the CA CCSS for ELA/Literacy at students' English language proficiency levels?
- What language might be new for students and/or present challenges?
- How will students interact in meaningful ways and learn about how English works in collaborative, interpretive, and/or productive modes?