TEMPLATE FOR USE IN ASSESSING AND REVISING QUESTIONS

| Question: | |
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| Dimension of Quality Question | Assessment/Possible Edit/Explanation |
| Content Focus: | |
| • With which parts of the related standard and learning target(s) is the question aligned? | |
| In what ways does the question facilitate connection-making for students, for example, to prior learning, real-life experiences, and/or other subjects? | |
| What evidence do you have that the question is appropriately challenging, that is, within the students' ZPD? | |
| Instructional Purpose: | |
| At what stage are students in the learning cycle? | |
| • What instructional purpose(s) is the question intended to promote? | |
| Cognitive Level: | |
| At what level of cognitive processing do you intend to engage student thinking? | |
| • Which cognitive demand encompassed in the related standard(s) does the question activate? | |
| Context: | |
| Will the question be presented in whole class or small group setting? | |
| How will students respond—individually and/or collaboratively? | |
| Wording/Structure: | |
| Will the wording be clear and understandable to students? | |
| What related academic vocabulary is included in the question? | |
| • To what extent and in what ways does the question focus student attention? | |
| Revised Question: | 1 |

Figure 6.2