

# The 5 W's and an H

WHO

Who wrote it?  
Who said it?  
Who are the major characters?  
Who are the people mentioned?  
To whom is the author speaking?  
About whom is he speaking?

WHAT

What are the main events?  
What are the major ideas?  
What is the major teaching?  
What are these people like?  
What is the main purpose in this passage?

WHEN

When was it written?  
When did the event take place?  
When will it happen?  
When did he say it?  
When did he do it?

WHERE

Where was this done?  
Where was this said?  
Where will it happen?

WHY

Why was there a need for this to be written?  
Why was this mentioned?  
Why was so much or so little space devoted to this particular event or teaching?  
Why was this reference mentioned?  
Why should they do 'such and such'?

HOW

How is it done?  
How did it happen?  
How is this truth illustrated?

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