1. Bonding: Family/Community
   - Do you see any bonding rituals that are likely universal across cultures?
   - Why would bonding rituals evolve? What purpose do such rituals serve?
   - What are some universal skills, abilities or developmental milestones that would make bonding possible? For example, being able to recognize faces would make it possible to recognize members of your family.
   - What are some universal social behaviors seen in families that promote their survival or reproductive success? For example, nepotism is universal (helping family members above others).
   - Why would bonding help with survival of both family and communities?
   - What are some cultural differences in how bonding might occur?
2. Food source, flavors and the role of eating rituals
   - What tastes/flavors do humans universally prefer?
   - How did environmental pressures (AKA nature) select for taste preferences in humans?
   - How do food sources available to people determine what is culturally acceptable to eat?
   - What roles does food play in social bonding?
   - In what ways would food pressures (drought, famine, competition for resources) lead to behaviors that would help maximize survival of those most likely to reproduce?
   - What are some cultural differences in food rituals and what foods are acceptable to eat?
3. Conflict, Competition and Violence
   - What kinds of conflict are probably universal between groups? For example, conflicts over competition for food?
   - What kinds of social behaviors/norms related to violence are probably universal? For example, men are the primary warriors instead of women?
   - What environmental pressures (AKA nature) would lead to these kinds of universal behaviors?
   - Why would physical strength, endurance and the ability to fight be universally valued among all cultures?
   - What are some cultural differences in conflict, competition and violence?
4. **Mate selection and reproductive success**
   - What social behaviors would men engage in to maximize their reproductive success (having as many children as possible)?
   - What social behaviors would women engage in to maximize their reproductive success (having as many children as possible)?
   - What environmental pressures and reproductive pressures would lead to differences between the mating strategies of men and women? For example, women’s capacity for bearing children vs. men’s.
   - What kinds mate selection behaviors are universal? For example, men selecting women of child-bearing age, women selecting men with “resources”.
   - Why are certain traits, such as strength, intelligence, health, youthfulness, and access to resources all universally valuable and admired?
   - What cultural differences exist in mate selection rituals or symbols of physical attractiveness?