

## How to Probe for Preferences with Sensitivity and Detail

These are examples of statements that a resident may make during the in-depth portion in response to items that have been triggered during the closed ended section of the assessment. Use creative thinking to avoid road blocks and generate three follow-up questions for each statement that will encourage the resident to provide more detailed information.

### Question Set A

Question 1: Do you enjoy the organized activities here at the nursing home? (MA\_2)

Resident Answer 1: *There is nothing to do here.*

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Q 2: Considering your overall quality of life here, do you have good friendships and relationships? (REL\_6)

A 2: *Everyone has forgotten about me here. I feel all alone.*

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Q 3: Do you do as much to take care of your own things and your room as you can and want? (FC\_5)

A 3: *I'm not a baby you know, I can still do some things for myself.*

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Q 4: Do you feel like your life has meaning? (SWB\_1)

A 4: *I just want to go home.*

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