

# Questioning in Trackton

Table 3.2. *Types of questions asked of preschool children in Trackton (listed in approximate order of frequency)*

Type	Response called for	Question	Examples Response
Analogy	Nonspecific comparison of one item, event, or person with another	What's that like? (referring to a flat tire on a neighbor's car)	Doug's car, never fixed.
Story-starter	Question which asks for explanation of events leading to first questioner's question	Did you see Maggie's dog yesterday?	What happened to Maggie's dog?
Accusation	Either nonverbal response and a lowered head or a story creative enough to take the questioner's attention away from the original infraction	What's that all over your face?	You know about that big mud puddle...
A-I (Answerer has information)	Specific information known to addressee, but not to questioner	What do you want?	Some juice
Q-I (Questioner has information)	Specific piece of information known to both questioner and addressee	What's your name, huh?	Peanuts