

Stage 1: Empathize

(Student Example)

Why do you feel jealous / envious?

Othello: “Being the Moor and having a different culture from the Venetians, I feel like I cannot trust anybody here.”

Iago: “Being in the position of an ensign (torch bearer), I don’t feel like I have power to control. I feel less.”

What does it feel like to be jealous?

Othello: “Sometimes I feel like not wanting to live.”

Iago: “I feel like fire is burning and consuming my soul. It is a terrible feeling.”

Tell me about the last time you felt jealous?

Othello: “When Desdemona insisted that I hire Cassio back to be my lieutenant again.”

Iago: “When Othello promoted Cassio instead of me.”

What was the best and worst time of your life?

Othello: “The best time is when I spent time with my love, Desdemona. The worst was when I smothered her with my own hands.”

Iago: “I’ve honestly felt terrible about my life for as long as I can remember. To live is to suffer...”

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