Practicum Observation Questions

1. What are the class characteristics? (grade, number of children, ratio of boys to girls, special interests or considerations)

2. What was the mathematics topic under discussion? What was the particular focus of the lesson? Was the focus on a particular concept or on developing a particular skill?

3. What are the prerequisites for the topic in this math lesson? Where does this math lesson lead and are there connections to other topics in math or to other subject areas that you might explore?

4. Describe how the students worked on the math topic. What did they seem to grasp? What was their level of understanding? Where were they confused? Show evidence of this by giving specific examples of a student question or comment!

5. What role or roles did you see the teacher play in this lesson?