**Socratic Questions** 

Socrates was a Greek philosopher ("philosopher" in Greek means "lover of wisdom", or in modern language very smart guy). He is famous for coming up with questions that test whether an idea should or shouldn't be believed. Today we call these special questions "Socratic Questions."

Here are six you can try:

WHY?

HOW DO YOU KNOW?

WHAT IS THE BEST EVIDENCE YOU'VE GOT?

WHAT EXAMPLES DO YOU HAVE?

HOW WOULD YOU KNOW IF YOU ARE WRONG?

WHY DO YOU BELIEVE IT?



Below are some claims and Socratic Questions to match them. Which ones go together? Draw a line to connect them.

## **Claims**

- Cell phone cause a chronic illness called "cell pox."
  - The Earth is flat.
  - Humans are descended from beavers. That is why we love to build things.
    - Video games make you smarter.

## **Socratic Questions**

- Why do you believe that about screen time?
- How would you know if you are wrong about our origins?
- What is the best evidence you have that it is not a sphere?
- Do you have an example of this illness?