Critical Incidents Report

A more direct and involved survey of students is the Critical Incidents Survey. The instructor asked students to anonymously answer these questions and leave the responses in a folder as they leave the room:

- At what moment in class did you feel most engaged this week?
- At what moment in class did you feel most distanced this week?
- What action (instructor or student) that someone took did you find most helpful or affirming?
- What action (instructor or student) that someone took did you find most puzzling or confusing?
- What about the class this week did you find most surprising?
- How much did you get out of today’s class? (1 little or nothing…5 much)
  – Most important idea today?
  – Muddiest Point?
  – One change the instructor could make to had helped you learn?
  – How helpful was it to have read the assignment in advance?
- How much did you get out of your preparation for today’s class? (1 little or nothing…5 much)
- One change the instructor can make to improve your preparation for future classes?
  – One change you could make to improve your preparation for future classes?
- How is your project progressing? (1 behind schedule…5 ahead).