



Critical Analysis/ Critical Thinking

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Critical Analysis (A Multi-Definition)

1. **A process** which involves the
2. **reflection and probing** of the arguments and claims of others;



AND

3. **examination** of the premises or assumptions behind arguments, including the logical scrutiny with which they (the premises and assumptions) are developed **AND**
4. **requirement** that you support the views you express.



Critical Thinking Skills

1. Identify core issues
2. Distinguish between relevant and irrelevant information
3. Distinguish between verifiable and unverifiable information
4. Formulate appropriate questions




Critical Thinking Skills, continued

5. Distinguish between facts and opinions
6. Check for inconsistencies
7. Recognize stereotypes, biases, and emotional appeals
8. Identify implicit (unstated) assumptions and value systems



Cultural Sensitivity

- Cultural sensitivity can be defined as the awareness of, and willingness to investigate, the reasons why people of another culture act as they do



5 Problematical Areas of Cultural Sensitivity

1. Language
2. Religion
3. Work Habits
4. Women's Roles
5. Personal Appearance and Behavior