AN ELEMENTARY GUIDE TO CRITICAL THINKING

Holmes to investigate murders.

What Is Critical Thinking?

Critical Thinking is the objective, evidence-based analysis of an idea or theory.

It requires you to question assumptions and seek opinions that challenge the prevailing wisdom.

Why Does It Matter?

Collecting, analyzing and evaluating information is becoming increasingly important in the workplace. People who score highly in critical-thinking assessments are also rated by their managers as having:

- good problem-solving skills
- creativity
- strong decision-making skills
- good overall performance[1]

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[1] Chartrand, J., Ishikawa, H. & Flander, S. (2013). 'Critical Thinking Means Business: Learn to Apply and Develop the NEW #1 Workplace Skill.' Available at:
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