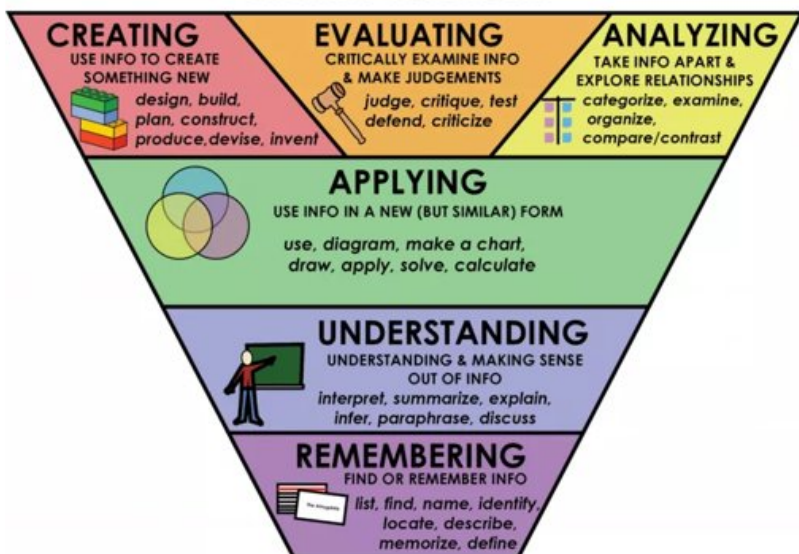


HOW TO

BECOME A CRITICAL THINKER

BLOOM'S TAXONOMY



WHY CRITICAL THINKING?

University learning isn't about just memorizing information. It involves deeper types of learning. As seen in Bloom's taxonomy, engaging with information requires creating, evaluating, analyzing, applying, and understanding. Critical thinking helps learners to dig below the surface level of information and actively learn through inquiry. A large aspect of being a university learner is considering different perspectives and inquiring about the assumptions we make. Critical thinking helps you to consider the whole picture and understand issues and ideas more clearly.

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INTERPRET

Identify the argument, understand the significance, paraphrase in your own words.



ANALYZE

Examine ideas, detect arguments, identify similarities and differences.



EVALUATE

Asses the credibility of the source/author/argument. Does the evidence support the conclusion? Whose perspectives are missing?



INFERENCE

Draw reasonable conclusions and form a hypothesis.



EXPLANATION

Give the full picture, present well reasoned arguments. Put information into your own words.



SELF REGULATE

Self-examine and self-correct. Examine your own views, what biases do you have? What assumptions did you make? Check for understanding.