

Critical thinking

Critical thinking is an essential factor in growing up in order to form your own opinion and to find your own values and moreover supports the democratic literacy.

Please take some time to think about what critical thinking means to you, and what you are doing in your classes to promote the critical thinking of your learners.

1) How much do the following statements apply to you? Mark the most appropriate answer per statement.

1. I am used to assessing myself as a teacher.

I totally agree I rather agree I partly agree I rather disagree I totally disagree

2. In my lessons, I encourage my learners to express their opinions.

I totally agree I rather agree I partly agree I rather disagree I totally disagree

3. In my lessons, I regularly incorporate reflection and feedback exercises.

I totally agree I rather agree I partly agree I rather disagree I totally disagree

4. I am able to reflect on my teaching by myself and with colleagues.

I totally agree I rather agree I partly agree I rather disagree I totally disagree

5. In my role as a teacher, I live up to my personal values and make them transparent.

I totally agree I rather agree I partly agree I rather disagree I totally disagree

6. In my lessons, I encourage my students to ask if something is not clear to them.

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2) Insert the corresponding points in the column to the right of the statements and calculate the sum in the last line (total).

4 points I totally agree	3 points I rather agree	2 points I partly agree	1 point I rather disagree	0 points I totally disagree
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Total	<u> </u>

3) This is our feedback to your answers:

0 - 9 points: You are a starter!

Take one more look at your answers. What could you do as a first step to promote the critical thinking of your students?

Get inspired by the variety of methods on our database. You can use the search engine to specifically search for methods promoting critical thinking by selecting them in the "Learning fields" category.

10 - 19 points: You are well on your way to becoming a Best Performer!

Does this evaluation match with your self-assessment? Take one more look at your answers. Which areas are you already satisfied with and which areas you would like to expand?

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Talk to colleagues and share your experiences or meet colleagues and best performers in other countries online in our online community!

20 - 24 points: Congratulation! You are highly advanced!

Apparently, you have dealt extensively with the topic and collected many valuable experience. Do you want to share this experience with other interested teachers and school leaders? Visit our Best-Performers online community and share your experience with other Best Performers!