

# “The Art of Applying Critical Thinking to Your Work as a Trustee”

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Definitions of Critical Thinking (suspend judgment: “one definition harnesses the mind”)

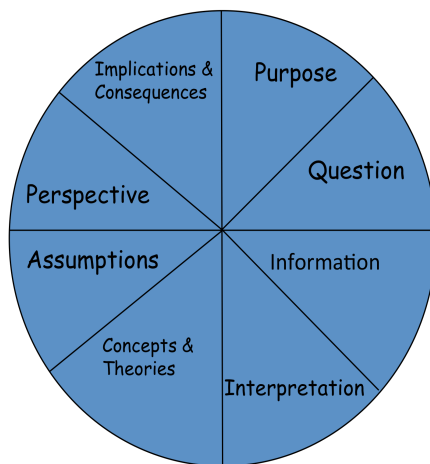
- Thinking that assesses itself
- Thinking about your thinking (with sensitivity to intellectual standards) in order to improve your thinking
- “Criticos” and “Criterion”
- Checking Assumptions & Exploring Alternatives
- Reasonable reflective thinking that is focused on what to believe or do
- The ability and tendency to ask the right questions

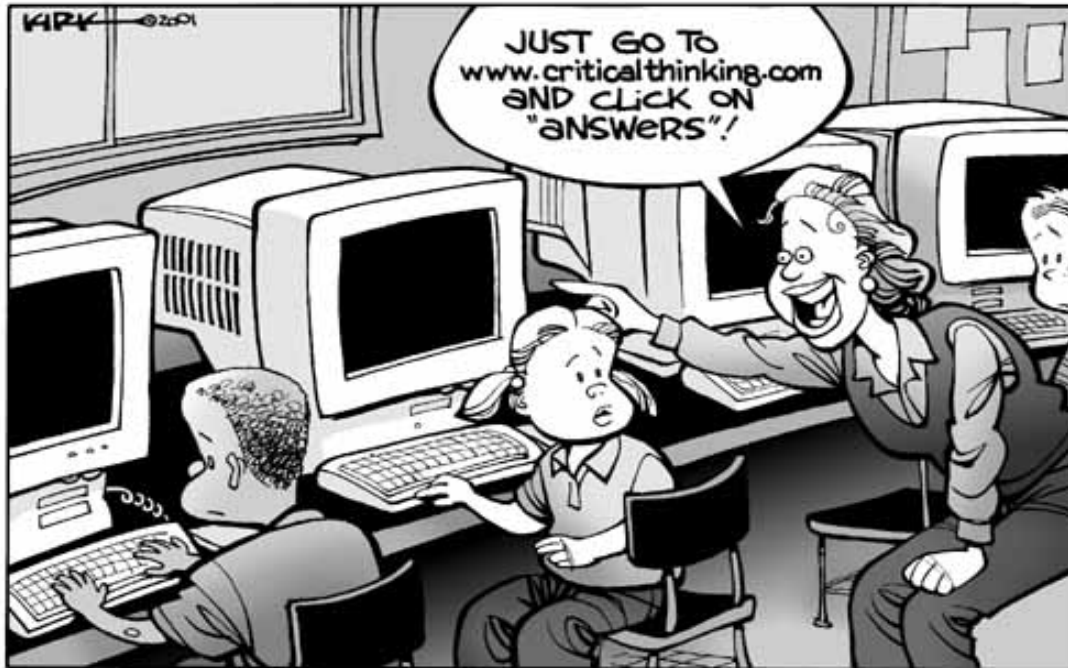
My own emerging definition of Critical Thinking (CT) is . . .

## *What is Critical Thinking?*

### *Judging Thinking with Standards*

- Clear
- Accurate
- Precise
- Relevant
- Deep
- Broad
- Significant
- Logical





Critical Thinking (CT) is not . . .

#### Structured Critical Conversation Overview (Brookfield, 2000)

1. Storyteller's Tale (Teacher)
2. Detectives' Questions (One Umpire)
3. Detectives Report/Check Assumptions
4. Detectives' Alternative Interpretations
5. Audit: Insights, Learning, Realized...(Umpire's Report)

Questions I have about CT are . . .

Some thoughts I have about using CT in my work as a trustee . . .