CRITICAL THINKING

WHAT IS IT?

The ability to think about facts, data, and information, understand it, analyze it, and form your own beliefs or create actions based off of it.

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

Employers in all industries place high importance on hiring candidates with this skill. Having Critical Thinking skills can make it easier to find solutions to problems, which could greatly benefit any organization.

HOW CAN I GET BETTER AT IT?

- Participate in class or group discussions
- Genuinely and actively think about other peoples' ideas and perspectives
- Think objectively; set your own biases aside
- Ask questions

WHAT ARE SOME EXAMPLES OF IT?

TIP: Think of examples you might have from your own experience and keep them in mind for when you prepare for interviews!

- Helping a difficult customer find a solution to their issue
- Coming up with new ideas to make something better
- Working through a complex problem to find a solution
- Working on a difficult math problem
- Figuring out ways to increase sales for a business
- Thinking outside the box

TIME TO APPLY
CRITCIAL THINKING

PRACTICE INTERVIEW QUESTIONS FOCUSED ON CRITICAL THINKING

- Tell me about a time when you had to make a difficult decision.
- You're working on a small group project and everyone has different opinions on how to complete it. As the team lead, how would you handle this?

REFLECTION

- What are some examples where you had to use critical thinking in your classes?
- How could critical thinking be used in your current job or in the career you want to have?
- Why do employers want people who can solve problems and come up with new ideas?

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