



## **Self-Auditing Critical Thinking Disposition**

**If you want to use a Socratic method to test your own intellectual integrity and keep your critical thinking tools sharp, ask yourself the following questions:**

### **Reflection**

1. When a theory, interpretation or conclusion is presented to me, I try to decide if there is good supporting evidence.
2. When faced with a decision, I seek as much information as possible.
3. I try to gather as much information about a topic before I draw a conclusion about it.

### **Attentiveness**

1. I find that I'm easily distracted when thinking about a task.
2. I find it hard to concentrate when thinking about problems.
3. I often miss out on important information because I'm thinking of other things.
4. I often daydream when learning a new topic.

### **Open-mindedness**

1. Thinking is not about "being flexible," it's about "being right."
2. Being open-minded about different worldviews is less important than people think.
3. When attempting to solve complex problems, it's better to give up fast if you cannot reach a solution.
4. I know what I think and believe so it's not important to dwell on it any further.

### **Organisation**

1. I like to make lists of things I need to do and thoughts I may have.
2. I take notes so I can organize my thoughts.
3. I make simple charts, diagrams or tables to help me organize large amounts of information.

## **Perseverance**

1. I persevere with a task even when it is very difficult.
2. Frustration does not stop me from finishing what needs to be done.
3. I find it desirable to keep going even if it is sometimes hard.

## **Intrinsic goal motivation**

1. I enjoy information that challenges me to think.
2. I look forward to learning challenging things.
3. Completing difficult tasks is fun for me.
4. Even if material is difficult to comprehend, I enjoy dealing with information that arouses my curiosity.

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