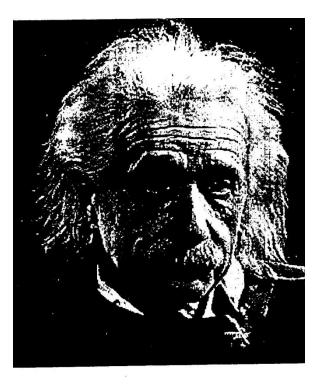
Strategies for Developing Students' Critical Thinking Skills



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I don't need to know everything, I just need to know where to find it when I need it



A. Einstein

Reading and thinking

- The reading task is not finished when the student has read the text, it becomes even more intense then.
- The reader thinks:
- Did I understand? Does it compare favourably with what else I know? How can I use this and relate it to other learning?
- Thinking is always influenced by:
- Prior knowledge, Emotions, Experiences

Stepping into the picture

- How would you characterize the situation shown in the picture? What may have caused such a situation? What could have happened before the picture was taken?
- To your mind, who are the people in the picture? What are the relationships among them? What makes you think that?
- What could the people in the picture say or think? Why do you think that?
- How could the events develop further? Why do you think so?
- Imagine you are one of the people in the picture. What do you smell in the air? What sounds do you hear?
- What is left "outside of the picture", i.e. what is not shown?
- In the shoes of which person from the picture would you like / not like to be? etc.



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Reflection

One thing I will remember

One thing I will tell my friend

One thing I will find out more about

One thing I will try out

Love poems

• Chronological Injustice by Raymond Brooks

go come see say think do

- 1. Write down the past tense of these verbs
- 2. Put a subject (personal pronoun) in front of the verbs and put these short sentences in a logical order
- 3. Compare your version with the original
- 4. Write a short story, or a dialogue from a play to illustrate the situation.
- 5. Compare your stories/ dialogues

Chronological Injustice by Raymond Brooks

She came.

She saw.

She thought.

She said.

She did.

She is gone for good!