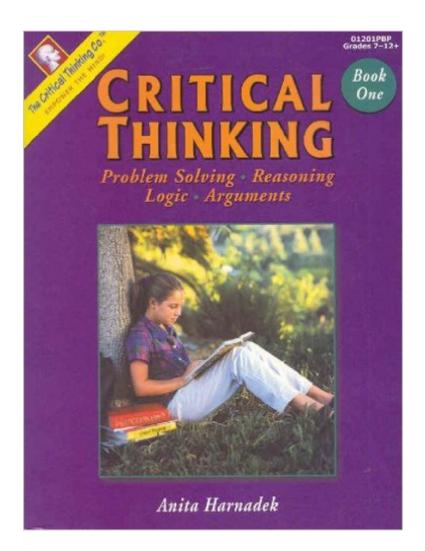
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# Critical Thinking Book One (Grades 7-12)





# Synopsis

Develops logical thinking for superior reading comprehension and test success! Critical Thinking teaches students to think logically, present well-developed arguments, and see through unsupported arguments. Book One helps students develop the fundamentals of logic, argumentation, and critical reading.Easy-to-understand explanations of concepts are followed by examples and real-life, often humorous, discussion problems. Students learn to identify valid and invalid claims and arguments, sufficient and insufficient evidence, fact and opinion, generalizations, emotional arguments, inferences, deductions, and more. Grades 7-12.

# **Book Information**

Series: Critical Thinking (Book 1) Paperback: 184 pages Publisher: The Critical Thinking Co.; Teachers edition edition (June 1998) Language: English ISBN-10: 089455641X ISBN-13: 978-0894556418 Product Dimensions: 0.5 x 8.5 x 10.5 inches Shipping Weight: 15.2 ounces Average Customer Review: 3.6 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (14 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #54,292 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #4 in Books > Teens > Religion & Spirituality > Philosophy #21 in Books > Teens > Education & Reference > Social Science > Psychology #151 in Books > Children's Books > Education & Reference > Study Aids Age Range: 12 and up Grade Level: 7 and up

## **Customer Reviews**

I love this book. Critical thinking is a fabulous introduction to logic for my middle school homeschooler. It has great introduction and explanation of all vocabulary with LOTS of examples. I paired this book with the Bluedorn's "Thinking toolbox" (chapters 1-4) and "Fallacy detective" (chapters 5-8), but I did to help cement and compliment the main text of C.T. We used a writer's mystery series at the end of chapter 4 to add a fun way to practice all the logic terms we had learned. (I tried to look up the title but can't find it right now.) The only suggestion I would make is that I do not believe this is high school text. I would use this for 5th grade to 8th grade. After 9th grade, you might consider using Memoria's press, "Traditional Logic". It is written by a Christian

press, but only the examples at the end of the chapters are religiously based, so the book can easily be used by secular learners. A friend of mine son's used Coursera for his high school logic. As good of a logic book as this is, it's best for middle school.

I'm a homeschooling parent. I've been using this book with my 11 year old sixth grader from September through April. We've hated it. I finally just tossed it across the room in the last lesson and said, "Enough!"The layout is horrible. The paragraphs and exercises are all squashed together. The answer key is so squashed it makes my eyes twitch. In some of the examples the author expects us to make no assumptions and only give an answer based on what we read in front of us, but in other examples, the author expects us to make assumptions based on common knowledge. But we never know which example the author expects us to make assumptions and which she doesn't. Either the examples are so ridiculously obvious that my 11 year old is bored with them, or they're so convoluted that no one would come up with the correct "answer."Our critical thinking led us to stop using this book. We don't like it one bit.

This book teaches Logic and argumentation in a simple form. It also teaches how to recognize apropaganda and reasoning errors. I have enjoyed learning from this book and I have used it with my children with exelent results. I especially enjoyed the teahcer's manuals which allowed me to help my children learn. If your children are interested in law, this book is a must.

We did not care for this book. The explanations were inadequate, and usually the answer key simply listed the answer without any explanation of how the answer was arrived at. I have a Ph.D. and I couldn't understand how some of the answers were arrived at. We abandoned this text and found a different logic curriculum which was more student-friendly.

Lots of good information about setting the stage for critical thinking. This book also has clear lessons that guide the teacher to helping his/her students use higher level thinking skills.

Everyone should learn to think critically. This book is just one more step taken to ensure my child does. I like the book and would purchase again.

It is a good book to use, but you must have all of the books in the series, so that the teacher can use it for individual needs of the student.

### A good book to begin lessons in critical thinking.

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