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Critical Thinking



Critical thinking is quite important as an upcoming innovator, but as well as an individual. It helps you see a clearer vision and makes you realize whether something makes sense or not. However, I do think it can be quite hard to do for everyone, yes we can do it, but the process is a challenge. How can you assess whether your thoughts on a certain topic are not bias, not downright prejudice or not distorted?

This is what makes it a challenge.

I recently came across a quote “The important thing is to never stop questioning”. The more you question the better you understand. It ensures the information you have on a topic is credible. By questioning a lot, you receive different answers, which indirectly may help you not to be bias. In my opinion, by doing this it creates uncertainty in your mind. You begin to question yourself. Probably by now, you don’t know what is true or not, so you search for clues and answers. Which is good, because you are forced to choose the right answer. Although, in some cases, people tend to know discover the truth, but because it is not what they believe or perceive it to be they see it as wrong. For critical thinking it is important not be bias, because you won’t see pass the bigger picture.

Being able to think critical will work so much in anyone benefit, especially in mine. Simply because I am an upcoming innovator, if I can think critical I can easily come up with innovative solutions. I’ll excel at analyzing, evaluating any problem or task at hand. Being able to do that in the field I am in, will automatically open doors for me. Simply because I might have a solution on human trafficking, which might just be a revolution, who knows. It might be far catch, but its an example of how important it is to think critical.

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Cultural Intelligence

When in Rome, do as the Romans do (idiom)

When in a foreign country, follow the behaviour of the locals. Personally I think it is quite important to do so, it shows an open mind and shows that you respect their culture. It is one of my goals to learn about different cultures. Not only because I find it interesting, but it makes my job possibilities for international companies more prospering. Having knowledge of different cultures will work in my benefit, especially being an upcoming innovator. It will be a pity to be doing business in the Middle East and getting impatient when they do ten different things during the business meeting or even showing up late. These cultural traits or quite common and the power distance is quite high. Refer to the link below (copy link into browser)—>

[https://www.facebook.com/l.php?](https://www.facebook.com/l.php?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.youtube.com%2Fwatch%3Fv%3DYTRTAomZuh4&h=zAQHI-8GC)

[u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.youtube.com%2Fwatch%3Fv%3DYTRTAomZuh4&h=zAQHI-8GC](https://www.facebook.com/l.php?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.youtube.com%2Fwatch%3Fv%3DYTRTAomZuh4&h=zAQHI-8GC) <—There are two characters in the short clip having a business meeting, which is taking place in the Middle East. One guy is from England and the other guy is from the Middle East. It goes to show that cultural intelligence is important in business. Having knowledge of different cultures might just help you close a deal. In Asian and Arab countries it is quite normal that business executives get to know you first before closing a deal, it is based on a relationship and trust. Sometimes it may take up to a year, and in most cases you fly back and forth to their country and vice versa. They tend not to get down to business right away, but instead they get to know you.

Although you may not be working for an international company, your employees or perhaps investors will be of different cultures. Sorry to break it to you, but however you look at it, cultural intelligence is very important. Dealing with such a global workforce it demands certain skills and knowledge. Cross cultural knowledge may seem super easy to grasp by learning the traits of a culture. However, it may not seem as easy as we think it is. For example, the differences in facial expressions in Japan can mean something way different than what I'm/you're you used to.

I came to the conclusion that, for me to be able to succeed in this business I need to expand my skills and knowledge of different cultures. Not because I want to (which I do), but simply because it's a necessity in this field. Indirectly you will need it working in this business or in any business, even as a cashier or supervisor at Burgerking, don't know why?, reread this one more time and hopefully it sinks in.

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Valuable Insight

Topic chosen:

“Is it possible to have a valuable insight about something in which you have little background knowledge? Has this ever happened to you?” (hmmm)

Valuable insight, what is it?. It can mean different things to different people. Your insight is valuable to you ofcourse, its how you perceive something or view it. In boring business terms a valuable insight can also be viewed as laying foundation for innovations that will grow your brand. Referred to by the market research company called Ipsos. Hmm gives a totally different definition to the term “valuable insight”, I do agree with both terms.

To answer the question based on the first definition, I do think it is possible to have valuable insight into something which you have little background knowledge of. Your insight is your view or opinion on the matter/topic at hand and you determine whether it is valuable or not. However, I do find this to be tricky, because everyone can say “yes my opinion or views on the matter are important”.

Before I started this study, I knew what innovation was and my thoughts and insight was indeed correct. The content of the classes has proven that I’m right. So the answer to the two questions are yes.

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Senses

I always enjoyed gaining new knowledge and developing more skills. I took part in one of the experiments, which was to smell something while blindfolded. I smelled pencil shavings and I made a guess it was cinnamon haha, wrong. I realize how valuable our sense are. Each of our sense are connected, for example vision and sound, as to taste and smell.

The sound of music can also influence the way someone feels. During the lecture my group aslo had a presentation, the topic was sound. We did a short experiment with different beats. We played a dancing beat, while everyone eyes were closed. The result was that some classmates were tapping their fingers and feet, as well as nodding their heads. Although I already knew that the beat/song can influence your mood and feelings, at that moment it gave me confirmation that it does.

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Thinking & Reasoning hmmm

Today (7Sep15) was the first official official day of school and the first class was Thinking and Reasoning. It was quiet active, as well as some theory, which I liked. We had small assignments throughout class, which is very good in the morning, because it kept me going. If I had to listen to the lecture speak for 3 hours and make notes for myself, I would easily get distracted. My concentration was very good and I was not distracted or bored.

Towards the end of the class we were divided into groups and with our groups we worked on on the five senses we received. My group could of been more active, but nevertheless the job got done, so I am happy about that.

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