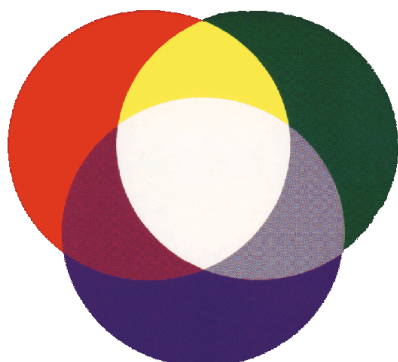


Critical Thinking in Context

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This video uses narrative drama interspersed with documentary to provide ideas and strategies for the integration of critical thinking skills into subject content. It focuses on critical thinking skills in tutorials, research and essay writing.

Rose and Kit, who hold widely different values, are given the task of writing a critical essay on animal welfare focusing on the live sheep trade. With the help of their tutor, they reflect on and explore their conflicting assumptions about this controversial topic. House mates, Jessica and Tan, support Rose and Kit in their developing understanding of the negotiated nature of critical inquiry.

The video invites critical reflection on critical thinking itself while assisting students to develop their critical thinking skills. A range of issues are addressed, including the nature of academic argument; ground rules for critical thinking in discussions; and the resolution of paradigm conflict.

This video and accompanying Teacher's Guide can be used in tutorial classes or lectures. The Student's Guide can be used independently by students or under the direction of a teacher.

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The key issues in the video involve a recognition of the four stages of group development, the importance of class working time for the groups, tutor facilitation of the process and printed materials for use by students. Understanding and utilising each of these will lead to improved group performance and increased student satisfaction with collaborative assignments.

This video has been professionally produced and is part of a series that also includes *From Life to Learning* and *Collaborative Learning*. While each is a separate video, there has been a conscious attempt to utilise a similar style and format in each video. Two of the actors appear in all three videos. A *Teacher's Guide to the Video, Critical Thinking in Context* is included in the package and provides useful information about the video and its use in teaching and learning situations. A *Student's Guide* provides independent learning activities for students.

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