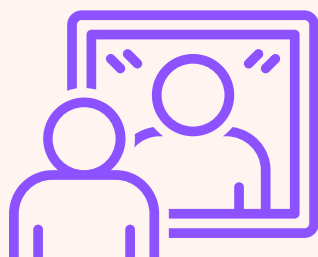


LO4: STEPS FOR FOSTERING CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS IN THE CLASSROOM

ENCOURAGE REFLECTION

Teach students to think back on experiences, exercises, information, and reflect on the thoughts and feelings they had.



PREFER OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS

Moving away from yes-no questions ensures students really think about their answer instead of guessing or parroting.



SHOW THE IMPORTANCE OF DIVERSE VIEWPOINTS

Students benefit from knowing there are different views, positions and opinions for many topics, and that they should consult different sources.



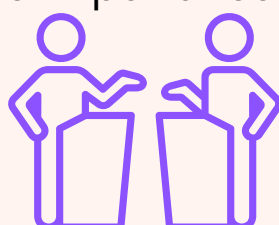
AVOID PLAIN MEMORISATION

Memorising information without understanding it does not benefit the critical thinking skills of students. Instead ensure they understand the material and therefore remember it.



MODEL DISCUSSION AND DEBATING

Provide opportunities for discussion and debate on as many topics as possible, cultivating the student's critical thinking and showing them the importance of their opinion.



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