

## Critical reading grid

	<b>Analysis</b>	<b>Questions</b>
<b>The full reference</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Author</li> <li>• (Year)</li> <li>• Title</li> <li>• Publication details</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WHO are they, what's their credentials?</li> <li>• WHEN - Is it current enough?</li> <li>• WHAT - Relevant to your question?</li> <li>• WHERE - Is it an academic source? Should you use it?</li> </ul>
<b>Content</b> What it is ....?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The aim or question.</li> <li>• The author's position or purpose.</li> <li>• Context</li> <li>• Main argument or central idea.</li> <li>• Methodology (in research articles)</li> <li>• Theory/model used</li> <li>• The evidence</li> <li>• Findings or conclusions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is this clear?</li> <li>• Do they have a hidden agenda?</li> <li>• Is it grounded in literature and current debate?</li> <li>• Is the line of reasoning valid/logical?</li> <li>• Is the methodology appropriate?</li> <li>• Are theories understood and applied correctly?</li> <li>• Is it good quality and relevant? How do you know?</li> <li>• Are they supported by the evidence/argument?</li> </ul>
<b>Evaluation</b> What do I think about it?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Audience/level who is it written for?</li> <li>• Do you agree with the author?</li> <li>• Particular strengths, from your point of view.</li> <li>• Any weaknesses or limitations?</li> <li>• Are there alternative positions?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is it academic enough to be used?</li> <li>• Have they made their case?</li> <li>• Are their findings novel or significant?</li> <li>• Can you rely on their conclusions to build your own argument?</li> <li>• How does this fit into the existing knowledgebase?</li> </ul>
<b>Reflection</b> How might I use it?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Your own perspective</li> <li>• Value</li> <li>• Links to practice</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has the text helped you understand something better?</li> <li>• How useful is it? Will you use it in your assignment?</li> <li>• Would this be a key piece of evidence or just have a supporting role?</li> <li>• How would this apply to practice?</li> </ul>