

Critical Thinking and the Art of Argument: an introduction to the informal fallacies

Each Trimester we will cover two chapters from the book entitled “the art of argument”. The book has text to read as well as questions to answer on your own. There are a few mentions of controversial topics in the text- you might want to flip through it when deciding if this class is appropriate. If there are topics you do not want covered at all in the class please let me know ahead of time. As Christians we may have differing views... I am not trying to be controversial, nor am I going to shy away from controversial topics. Additionally, I picked up a book called “Critical Thinking”, which is not a required book for students. I will be choosing topics from that book as conversation starters. I am hoping for full class participation in classroom conversations, helping everyone develop critical thinking and communication skills as well as respect for differing point of view and opinions. There will be a mix of completing the book in class and completing the pages as homework.

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Week 1.2 Pages 15-23 (read 24-25 at home)

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