

The Critical Thinking Assessment

The Critical Thinking Assessment will provide you with scenarios you will study and analyze to answer a combination of multiple-choice and short-answer questions. The goal is to measure your competency in the following areas:

- Explain the situation, issue, concepts, or opinions.
- Select and use information to analyze situations, issues, concepts, and opinions.
- Incorporate understanding of context, assumptions, and alternate perspectives.
- Effectively communicate your views, perspective, and hypothesis.
- Draw conclusions from and understand related implications and consequences.

By completing this exam, you and your school will gain valuable insights into your development of critical thinking skills.

Registration for the assessment will either occur through an external link and registration password provided to you by your instructor, or an assignment link for the assessment will be embedded in your learning management system (the online platform your school uses to deliver your courses). If you are unsure where or how to access your assessment, please review your syllabus and/or contact your instructor for instructions.

Once you have accessed the assessment, follow the prompts as they appear. Be sure to read each screen and acknowledgment thoroughly, as they provide essential information about what you can expect within the exam. Below are examples of the exam screens. Please note that some aspects of the exam may vary depending on the configurations chosen by your school.

Upon confirming your registration and launching your exam, you will be presented with the following introductory section. Once you have read and understood what is included in your exam, click the **Continue** button to proceed.

Before you begin, here's what to expect:

- This exam includes **2 Scenario(s)** with a total of **12 questions**.
- Topic(s) include:
 - **Business Integration and Strategic Management**
- You'll have a total of **1 hour and 4 minutes** to complete the exam.
- You'll have up to **3 attempts** to access the exam.
- You're allowed **2 (two) 15-minute break(s)**, which you may take **after any question is recorded**.

 Make sure you have enough time set aside to complete the entire exam before starting.

Continue →

Please review and check each box to confirm you understand the parameters of the assessment. You'll need to check all items before continuing.

Work and Office Networks

Some work or school networks may block tools needed for the assessment. We recommend using a personal computer on a home or campus library network for the best experience.

Security and Exam Integrity

You cannot leave or switch tabs/screens during the assessment. If you do, your screen will blur, and your progress may be impacted.

These measures are in place to ensure a fair and secure testing environment.

Download Completion Certificate

After finishing, you'll receive a link to a PDF certificate by email. We recommend you download and save it for future reference.

How the Exam Works

This assessment presents scenarios, each followed by multiple choice and short answer questions.

- Once you submit a response, you cannot go back to change it.
- Short answers include recommended word counts to help guide your responses.
- If you leave the assessment for any reason, it will resume at the next question, not where you left off.

Reconnecting to your assessment:

- If you accessed the assessment through a microsite, use the link sent to your email during registration to return.
- If you started the assessment from your online course (LMS), return to your course and click the same link to re-access the assessment.

 When you click **Begin Assessment**, your first scenario will appear.

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Begin Assessment →

Your objective is to read and study each scenario, so you have the information needed to answer a series of multiple-choice and short-answer questions. Once you have carefully read the scenario and are ready to begin answering the questions, click the **Continue to Questions** button, and the question timer will start.

Read the scenario below.

When you're ready, click **Continue to Questions** to begin. You'll still be able to view the scenario while answering.

Scenario 1 of 2

The Office of Human Physiology is organized by functions and departments such as accounting, production, human resources, and R & D. They pretty much enjoy a pyramid structure with top-down control but have issues with departmental silos. A similar organization, The Center for Performance, is structured with many functional departments under a division head. Each functional area has its own marketing, sales, accounting, and production teams. They all report to one division head and have a more horizontal organizational design. They can quickly respond to customers but many of their technology systems between divisions are incompatible making reporting difficult. Another firm, Global Solutions, is organized by locations of the customers they service. Their structure evolved as they developed a more international focus. Because of the location, Global Solutions can quickly understand the cultural differences and needs of customers. Because of the distance between locations, decentralized decision making can become a problem. Luma Shoes and Zell Computers are organized in yet another way, with a variation of virtual structures such as call centers, design, delivery, and marketing. These "boundaryless" organizations have their headquarters as the only stable organizational base. They have many employees who telecommute, which positively impacts harmful effects on the environment and cost savings, but the workforce may be less collaborative and be more socially isolated.

Continue to Questions

Next, you will review and check the acknowledgement boxes. Once you have checked all the acknowledgement boxes, click the **Begin Assessment** button.

You will receive a series of multiple-choice and short-answer questions, each delivered one at a time. You will have 3 minutes to answer each multiple-choice question and 10 minutes to answer each short-answer question.

You can revisit the scenario at any time by clicking the **Show Scenario** button.

Unless otherwise configured by your school, all critical thinking exams are timed as described above, and are a forward-only type, which means you will receive one question at a time and will not be allowed to go back to previous questions or scenarios once you submit your answers.

You may take two 15-minute breaks and exit and re-enter the exam twice.

You may take a break or leave the assessment only after submitting an answer to the question you are on. Upon clicking the **Exit Exam** button, you will be prompted to **Submit & Exit** the exam. If you return to the exam after a break or exit, it will resume at the next question.

Once you have submitted your answers for all scenario questions, you cannot go back. The assessment will proceed to the next scenario or be finalized, depending on the number of scenarios included. You will also notice there are recommended word counts for each of the short answer responses. This helps ensure you have included enough information within your response so that your answers can be fairly scored.

Once all your answers are submitted, the partial score summary will be shown.

When the scoring of your short answers has been completed, you will receive an email with a link to download a completion certificate with your full score.

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