

**UNIVERSITY OF CALICUT**  
**SCHOOL OF DISTANCE EDUCATION**

B.A./B.Sc./BBA/B.Com (2011 Admission)

**I Semester**

**Common Course – English**

**Critical Reasoning, Writing & Presentation**

**QUESTION BANK**

1. Which of the following is essential for developing critical thinking?
  - a) Blind faith
  - b) prejudice
  - c) questioning attitude
  - d) none of these
2. Critical thinking helps us to.....
  - a) Deviate
  - b) focus
  - c) accept everything
  - d) develop ego
3. To become a good decision maker, one has to develop
  - a) Bias
  - b) dependance on others
  - c) irrationality
  - d)critical thinking
4. Which of the following is not a barrier to critical thinking?
  - a) print media
  - b) elders
  - c) courage
  - d) influence of print and electronic media
5. Which of the following is not a barrier to critical thinking?
  - a) fear
  - b) ego
  - c) emotions
  - d) free thinking
6. In critical thinking,we are concerned with.....
  - a) opinions
  - b) ego centrism
  - c) argument
  - d) personal interest
7. To attempt to persuade by giving good reason is to give .....
  - a) argument
  - b) suggestion
  - c) opinion
  - d) preference
8. An argument is always backed by.....
  - a) emotion
  - b) ego
  - c) evidence
  - d) criticism

























139. The normal order of presentation is
- a) First list the main points and then elaborate
  - b) First give a summary
  - c) Start with elaboration
  - d) just give the main points
140. The last part of a presentation is
- a) Conclusion
  - b) main body
  - c) Question Answer session
  - d) Refutation
141. First and foremost technique of an effective presentation is
- a) Surprise and grab attention
  - b) give a good summary
  - c) Explain
  - d) Conclude
142. Which of the following is a technique for effective presentation
- a) repetition
  - b) fast pace
  - c) low voice
  - d) inadequate words
143. Trimming your presentation means
- a) deleting unnecessary information
  - b) using decorative words
  - c) Adding information
  - d) concluding the presentation
144. Which of the following helps us to identify the objective of the presentation?
- a) ice breaking
  - b) Summary
  - c) Question
  - d) good posture
145. Documentation means
- a) Citing the sources
  - b) recording information
  - c) reading text
  - d) none of these
146. ....establishes the credibility of the writer
- a) Source
  - b) documenting the sources
  - c) lack of citation
  - d) none of these
147. To cite a source in text using MLA format, write
- a) the last name of the author followed by page number in parentheses
  - b) Page number only
  - c) full name of the author
  - d) name of the text
148. In documenting the source, they are arranged
- a) alphabetically
  - b) based on size
  - c) based on importance
  - d) numerically
149. Title of articles from newspapers, journals and magazines are written with
- a) brackets
  - b) parentheses
  - c) Quotation
  - d) none of these



160. Rajeevan has been working for me ..... Five years  
 a)for b)since  
 c)from d)before
- 161.....there is a growing interest in film studies  
 a)recently b)since  
 c) last week d) for
162. Verbs that change in different ways to form their past tense are called  
 a)regular verbs b) irregular verbs  
 c) gerunds d) Passives
163. The plural of formula is  
 a) formulae b) formulae  
 c) formuli d) none of these
- 164.....came from the media on how to escape from the bomb attack  
 a) advice b) advices  
 c) informations d)none of these
- 165.This is the man .....took my book  
 a) Who b)that  
 c) which d)when
- 166.....is used to give additional information  
 a) brackets b)colon  
 c) parentheses d) full stop
- 167.The punctuation used in contractions is  
 a) apostrophe b) Quotation mark  
 c) period d) semicolon
- 168.The punctuation used for enclosing comment , correction or explanation is  
 a) brackets b) colon  
 c) parentheses d) full stop
- 169.....in a quote indicate that some part of the material has been left out  
 a) Ellipses b) colon  
 c) parentheses d) full stop
- 170.....is used to indicate a break or a sudden turn in thought  
 a) Em dash b) en dash  
 c) hyphen d) comma





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