

## FIGURE 10.1 ▶ Rate Your Critical Thinking Skills

Now that you have read about critical thinking, it would be beneficial to rate yourself as a critical thinker.

Circle the number that best fits you in each of the situations described below.

Situations	Never	Sometimes	Always
<i>In class, I ask lots of questions when I don't understand.</i>	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10		
<i>If I don't agree with what the group decides is the correct answer, I challenge the group opinion.</i>	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10		
<i>I believe there are many solutions to a problem.</i>	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10		
<i>I admire those people in history who challenged what was believed at the time, such as "the earth is flat."</i>	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10		
<i>I make an effort to listen to both sides of an argument before deciding which way I will go.</i>	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10		
<i>I ask lots of people's opinions about a political candidate before making up my mind.</i>	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10		
<i>I am not afraid to change my belief system if I learn something new.</i>	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10		
<i>Authority figures do not intimidate me.</i>	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10		

The more 7–10 scores you have circled, the more likely it is that you use your critical-thinking skills often. The lower scores indicate that you may not be using critical-thinking skills very often or use them only during certain activities, such as a class.