



critical questions

things to think about when someone has something to say

who

Who said it?

Someone you know? Someone famous?
Someone in authority?
Should it matter who said it?

what

What did they say?

Did they give facts or opinions?
Did they give all the facts?
Did they leave something out?

where

Where did they say it?

Was it in public or in private?
Did other people have a chance to talk about the other side?

when

When did they say it?

Before, after, or during an important event?

why

Why did they say it?

Did they explain their opinions?
Were they trying to make someone look good or bad?

how

How did they say it?

Were they happy, sad, angry, or didn't care? Did they write it or speak it? Could you understand it?