Steps in Critical Thinking

1. What is the purpose of my thinking?
2. What precise question am I trying to answer?
3. Within what point of view am I thinking?
4. What information am I using?
5. How am I interpreting that information?
6. What concepts or ideas are central to my thinking?
7. What conclusions am I aiming toward?
8. What am I taking for granted; what assumptions am I making?
9. If I accept the conclusions, what are the implications?
10. What would the consequences be, if I put my thoughts into action?