GLOSSARY

Developing a Critical Thinking Mindset

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Use these terms and definitions below to understand concepts taught in the course.

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Term	Definition
ad hominem fallacy	Making an irrelevant argument by criticizing the person and ignoring the evidence
affect bias	Judging sources as unreliable regardless of evidence
authority bias	Being convinced that a title or position makes someone a reliable source of information
confirmation bias	Seeking evidence to support a belief that a source is reliable while ignoring evidence that suggests otherwise
intellectual humility	The acknowledgment that you do not actually know everything you think you know
mental agility	The ability to think, understand, and integrate ideas quickly, and then apply insights from one context to another
overthinking	Unnecessary rumination or agonizing, often causing negative thoughts