
Questioning as we learn: An introduction to critical thinking

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Unit 5 - Snippet 117

Perspectives

'Perspective' is defined as a particular attitude towards or way of regarding something, in other words, a point of view. As we look at something or someone, or watch a process or phenomenon unfold, we may see and interpret it differently from others because of where we stand and where we come from. Our usual way of doing things influences how we perceive new issues.

One new issue that most people in the world experienced in 2020 has been the Covid-19 pandemic and its consequences to their lives. In the following snippet, you will read about changes due to the pandemic that Ngozi Perpetua Osuchukwu perceived. Ngozi Perpetua Osuchukwu is a Certified Librarian of Nigeria. She is a Lecturer in the Department of Library and Information Science at Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, Anambra State, Nigeria where she is currently a PhD student in Library and Information Science. The snippet piece is an adjusted extract from her blog about 'Re-Building Communities and Livelihoods Post COVID-19 Pandemic' (August 2020) that you can find on this AuthorAid website:

<https://www.authoraid.info/en/news/details/1406/>



Exploratory activity - Perspectives

Before reading Ngozi's perspective in the next snippet, reflect on your own experience about changes that your community faced due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Make notes. You will be asked to compare your own perspective with Ngozi's later in this unit.