

# Free Critical Thinking Test

## Assumptions

Questions Booklet

### Instructions

This practice critical thinking test will assess your ability to make inferences and logical assumptions and to reason with supported arguments.

Read the instructions and answer the questions. There are a total of **14 questions** in this test and you should aim to correctly answer as many questions as you can within **30 minutes**.

## Section 2: Assumptions

### Instructions:

An assumption is something which is presumed or taken for granted. When a person says, “I will see you tomorrow”, it is taken for granted that they will be around tomorrow, and that they will not have last-minute plans which prevent them from seeing you tomorrow.

In this section, you will be provided with a number of statements. Each statement will be followed by a series of proposed assumptions. You must decide which assumptions are logically justified based on the evidence in the statement. If you think that the assumption is taken for granted in the statement, and is therefore logically justified, select **Assumption made**. If you think that the assumption is not taken for granted in the statement, and is not therefore logically justified, select **Assumption not made**. Remember to judge each question individually and base your responses on the statements provided.

**Statement One:**

Monarchic nations, i.e. those with royal families, differ from republic nations in several ways. An example of this difference is that citizens of monarchic nations pay more tax than citizens of republican nations.

**Q1**

**Assumption 1:** The government of monarchic nations are responsible for setting tax rates on their citizens

Assumption Made  
Assumption Not Made

**Q2**

**Assumption 2:** Republican nations do not have a royal family.

Assumption Made  
Assumption Not Made

**Q3**

**Assumption 3:** The only types of nation are monarchic and republican.

Assumption Made  
Assumption Not Made

**Q4**

**Assumption 4:** A monarchic nation cannot be a republican nation.

Assumption Made  
Assumption Not Made

**Statement Two:**

In 2008, the President of the USA promised to prevent the country entering economic depression, but he failed because at the beginning of 2012, over 12 million USA citizens were unemployed.

Q5

**Assumption 1:** Unemployment is an indicator of economic depression.

Assumption Made  
Assumption Not Made

Q6

**Assumption 2:** The number of USA citizens out of work ought to be less than 12 million.

Assumption Made  
Assumption Not Made

Q7

**Assumption 3:** Presidents should stick to their promises.

Assumption Made  
Assumption Not Made

**Statement Three:**

Chilean students were right in 2012 to stage protests demanding that university education in Chile should be made free.

*Q8*

**Assumption 1:** Some Universities outside of Chile are free.

Assumption Made  
Assumption Not Made

*Q9*

**Assumption 2:** Staging protests will influence the costs of Chilean university education.

Assumption Made  
Assumption Not Made

*Q10*

**Assumption 3:** Chilean students cannot afford to pay fees for university education.

Assumption Made  
Assumption Not Made

*Q11*

**Assumption 4:** Chilean students want to attend university.

Assumption Made  
Assumption Not Made

**Statement Four:**

Charities don't have to charge VAT to customers, which means charity bookshops can charge lower prices than those charged by second-hand bookshops which are not registered as a charity.

*Q12*

**Assumption 1:** Charities pay less tax than non-charities

Assumption Made  
Assumption Not Made

*Q13*

**Assumption 2:** Customers prefer to pay lower prices.

Assumption Made  
Assumption Not Made

*Q14*

**Assumption 3:** VAT increases the price customers pay for things.

Assumption Made  
Assumption Not Made

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