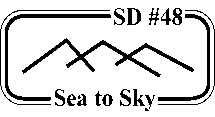
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| **CRITICAL THINKING**  (Intellectual/Synthesizing Mind)  Critical thinking: thinking deeper about any subject, content, or problem. This is done by breaking it down into smaller pieces in order to really understand a topic. | | | |
|  | **Emerging**  With help, I am beginning to do this. | **Developing**  Sometimes I need help and sometimes I can do this by myself. | **Applying**  I can do this on my own. |
| **Explores and questions information and ideas** | • I ask questions for a short and simple answer  • After reading or listening to information, I find it difficult to figure out the main idea  • I can give my opinion | • I ask questions to find an explanation  • After reading or listening, I can figure out the main issue or idea  • I can give my opinion and give a simple reason why I think that  • I am willing to hear other opinions that are different than mine | • I ask questions that make myself and/or others understand and think more deeply  • After reading or listening to information, I can explain what the main idea is and give reasons for my thinking  • I can give my opinion and support it with details  • I can listen to others to help prove my own opinion or I can choose to change my mind |
| **Solves problems and makes decisions** | • It can be hard to figure out what the problem is  • I make a quick decision without thinking about other choices | • I know what the problem is  • I can give simple solutions to a problem  • I think about my choices and then make a decision | • I know what the problem is and can explain it in detail  • I can come up with several solutions to the problem and give reasons why these are good possible solutions  • I can make a decision and explain my choice |

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