



CRITICAL THINKING

Reading List





Sixth Form

Fiction

- What Money Can't Buy** - Michael Sandel (2014)
- How Proust Can Save Your Life** - Alain de Botton (2002)
- Consolations From Philosophy** - Alain de Botton (1999)
- Man's Search for Meaning** - Viktor Frankl (1954)
- Keep it Together** - Marie Robert (2018)
- When You Can't Figure it Out Ask a Philosopher** - Marie Robert (2020)

Audio-Visual

Podcasts

- A History of Ideas BBC Radio 4 – all episodes: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b04bwydw/clips>
- Sweet Reason BBC Radio 4
- The Public Philosopher BBC Radio 4
- Thinking Allowed – Laurie Taylor BBC Radio 4
- BBC ideas

Websites

- Is society a myth? <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b0bgrnhl>
- AI can tell that you're Gay?
https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2018/jul/07/artificial-intelligence-can-tell-your-sexuality-politics-surveillance-paul-lewis?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other
- Speeches that changed the World: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GMmqfoJvbGA>
- Jonathon Sumption Reith lectures: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m00057m8>
- Michael Sandel Reith Lectures: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00kt7sh>
- Margaret Macmillan Reith Lectures: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b0b88hl4>
- Sympathy for Drug Dealers: <https://youtu.be/5UGC2nLnaes>
- Did the Victorians Ruin the World? - Darwinism <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b08l6tcm>
- Morality in the 21st Century - Moral Heroes: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b0bgtcrh>
- Whataboutism: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/ideas/videos/whataboutism-finger-wagging-as-a-political-tactic/p06j7y0x>
- Is Capitalism here to stay? <https://www.bbc.co.uk/ideas/videos/capitalism-is-it-here-to-stay/p06g9czp>
- Will AI make thinking obsolete? <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m0007ws1>
- Britishness: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m00081vy>
- Game Theory: <https://youtu.be/0bFs6ZiynSU>



- Deductive Reasoning: https://youtu.be/H9PY_3E3h2c
- Individualism: <https://www.bbc.com/ideas/videos/is-individualism-a-good-thing/p05t8hct>
- Modern Spartans and Corinthians: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/ideas/videos/what-can-we-learn-from-the-spartans/p07xlgpv>
- Algorithms – do we trust them? <https://www.bbc.com/ideas/videos/what-on-earth-is-an-algorithm-anyway/p07nw8ny>
- Marxism: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m0004mgp>
- Utilitarianism: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-a739VjqdSI>
- Induction and Abduction: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-wrCpLJ1XAw>
- Contractarianism: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Co6pNvd9mc>
- Existentialism: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YaDvRdLMkHs>
- Pascal's Wager: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S93jMOqF-oE>
- Populism: <https://www.bbc.com/ideas/videos/a-brief-history-of-populism/p05t8hqq>
- Absurdism: <https://www.bbc.com/ideas/videos/peas-in-a-pan-an-absurdists-take-on-life/p05t8j3g>
- Darwinism: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/ideas/videos/darwinism-the-theory-of-evolution-explained/p06nkffw?playlist=the-a-z-of-isms>
- Meritocracy: https://www.theguardian.com/news/2018/oct/19/the-myth-of-meritocracy-who-really-gets-what-they-deserve?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other
- The courage of Ambivalence: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m0007k73>
- Solidarity of Hate – Rwandan Genocide: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m0005mtm>
- Viktor Frankl: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JIQRny6bUIE>
<https://www.ted.com/talks/viktor-frankl-why-believe-in-others>