

*Critical thinking involves suspending your beliefs to explore and question topics from a "blank page" point of view. It also involves the ability to know fact from opinion when exploring a topic.*

### **Critical Thinking Exercise**



The following short quiz was developed by Anderson Consulting Worldwide to test critical thinking. Answer each question in order..

**1. How do you put a giraffe into your refrigerator?**

**2. How do you put an elephant into your refrigerator?**

**3. The Lion King is hosting an animal conference. All the animals attend - except one. Which animal does not attend?**

**4. There is a river you must cross but it is used by crocodiles and you do not have a boat. How do you manage it?**

**1. How do you put a giraffe into your refrigerator?**

The correct answer to question number 1 is:

Open the refrigerator, put in the giraffe, and close the door.

This question tests whether you tend to do simple things in an overly complicated way.

**2. How do you put an elephant into your refrigerator?**

Did you say, Open the refrigerator, put in the elephant, and close the refrigerator? Wrong answer.

Correct answer: Open the refrigerator, take out the giraffe, put in the elephant and close the door.

This tests your ability to think through the repercussions of your previous actions.

**3. The Lion King is hosting an animal conference. All the animals attend - except one. Which animal does not attend?**

Correct Answer: The elephant. The elephant is in the refrigerator. You just put him in there. This tests your memory. Okay, even if you did not answer the first three questions correctly, you still have one more chance to show your true abilities.

**4. There is a river you must cross but it is used by crocodiles, and you do not have a boat. How do you manage it?**

Correct Answer: You jump into the river and swim across. Have you not been listening? All the crocodiles are attending the animal conference.

This tests whether you learn quickly from your mistakes.

According to Anderson Consulting Worldwide, around 90% of the professionals tested got all questions wrong.