



Critique Vocab

Giving and receiving feedback works best when those involved use a common language. The terms below present themes and definitions that are important for participants to understand together before engaging in a critique.

Objective vs Subjective

Highlighting the difference between objective and subjective content is important because we critique both types of content differently.

Opinion vs Authority

Opinion is not the same thing as authority. It can be easy as someone delivering a critique to think that your role gives you a position of authority - but that's not the case.

Critical vs Cynical

The negative aspects of the word "cynical" are often unfairly associated with the term "critical".

Critique vs Direction

There is a big difference between critique and direction. It's important to know which you are delivering and which you are receiving.