Critical Reading

Analysing journal articles
Critical thinking is:

“The objective analysis and evaluation of an issue in order to form a judgement”

Oxford English Dictionary
Currency
Relevance
Authority
Purpose
The Greek Debt Crisis could have been avoided - discuss
Tentative Greek Deal Struck.

Authors: Investor's Business Daily


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Subject Terms: *STATE bankruptcy
*BAILOUTS (Finance)
*FINANCE ministers
*EUROPEAN Sovereign Debt Crisis, 2009-
*DEBT service
GREECE — Economic conditions — 1974-

Abstract: 2 Eurozone finance ministers drafted the outline of an agreement that would extend Greece’s bailout for 4 months — as long as Athens submits by Mon. a list of reforms it will implement to stave off default. That will be reviewed by creditors in April. A 4-month extension would ease Greece’s immediate cash crunch but won’t last through debt service payments due this summer.

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1. **The Greek Economic Crisis – is the Euro to Blame?**
   The article reports on the economic crisis in Greece. Topics discussed include the public debt, the financial crises in the country, and the European Union’s reaction to the inflation...

   By: Delias, Harris; Tavlas, George S. *CATO Journal*. Fall 2013, Vol. 33 Issue 3, p491-520. 30p., Database: Business Source Complete
   The article discusses the roles of the gold standard and the currency the euro in the origin of the Greek sovereign debt crisis of the early 21st century and the entrance into the European Union...

3. **No Exit?**
   An essay is presented on the early-2010s financial crisis in Greece. The author discusses several Greek works which analyze the crisis and the country’s economic situation, ...
The Greek Economic Crisis – is the Euro to Blame?

Andreas Hatzigeorgiou

Key points

• Greece joined the Eurozone for political and economic motives since the common currency was considered a tool for deepening European integration.
• Eurostat stated in 2004 that Greek economic data had been manipulated for several years, but there was no significant price correction at the time on long term Greek treasuries.
• Greece’s public debt was accumulated mainly during the 1980s and continued to grow until, by the middle of the 1990s, the 90% debt to GDP threshold had been passed.
• Greece’s structural economic problems go far back in time and are complex, but neither the financial crisis nor use of the euro constitute fundamental causes of Greece’s crisis.


Figure 2: GDP and inflation in Greece, 1980–2005

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True or False - Activity
Academic Reading

You have to read everything

You have to read every word in a text

You should read everything at the same speed and in the same way

Reading a text once is enough
A strategy for Reading

SQ3R

Survey
Question
Read
Recall
Review
Activity – find an article and begin to SQ3R

Use your own assignment topic or search on DISCOVER
Going further

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