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## *Readers Ask Critical Questions About a Text*

- *Who is this author trying to get me to believe? What about that one?*
  - *What has one author highlighted, either by putting it first, by writing about it most extensively, by using particular words? What has another author highlighted?*
  - *How else could each of these texts have been written to highlight something different? How are other texts on this topic written differently, conveying different beliefs on the subject?*
  - *What do I know about these authors' backgrounds and roles that might help me to understand their different perspectives on this topic?*
  - *How trustworthy is the information here? How convincing is the author's angle? What assumptions have each of these authors made, and what do I think about those assumptions?*
  - *What are my ideas on this topic? Where do I stand on it?*
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