

Costa's Levels of Thinking

3–Applying

“Off the page” or “From the brain”

Evaluate	Generalize	Imagine
Judge	Predict	Speculate
If/Then	Hypothesize	Forecast

2–Processing

“Between the Lines” or “From the book and brain”

Compare	Contrast	Classify
Sort	Distinguish	Explain (Why?)
Infer	Analyze	

1–Gathering

“On the page” or “From the book”

Complete	Define	Describe
Identify	List	Observe
Recite	Select	