Strategies to build Fluid Reasoning & Critical Thinking Skills

Graphic Organizers
Think Alouds
Cooperative Learning (study groups)
Reciprocal Teaching
Guided Questions
Metacognitive Strategies
Checklists
Categorizing
Active Reading Strategies
Explicit Strategy Instruction
Socratic Questioning
Bloom's verbs & question starters

Critical Thinking Skills:

Making predictions
Drawing inferences
Abstract concepts
Compare/contrast
Cause/effect
Drawing conclusions
Analogies, similes, metaphors
Figurative language
Idioms & proverbs