Analyzing – around-the-circle.

Analyzing a Topic X:

* What is the *purpose* of X? What are its main goals or objectives?
* What are the main *questions* being answered within X? What are the main problems being addressed?
* What are the main *assumptions* being made about X? What is being taken for granted within the topic? What are the givens?
* What are the *implications* and *consequences* of X? What follows from it?
* What important *information* or *data* is there about X?
* What are the main *concepts* within X? How are those concepts understood or define within X? What do those concepts mean?
* What *conclusions* are being drawn about or within X? What *interpretations* are being given? What *inferences* are being made?
* What are the major *points of view* about X? What different frames of reference or different perspectives on X need to be considered?

[ What is the *context* in which X occurs?]