

8 Ways to Study for a Test

Studying for a test involves more than reading the material and memorizing important facts. Here are 8 study tips to help you improve your test scores!

1. Make a list of information that will be covered.

- Ask your teacher what the test will cover. Write down the chapter, page numbers and main topics.

2. Ask what types of questions will be on the test.

- Is the test true or false, multiple choice, short response, or essay? This will give you an idea of how you need to study.

3. Prepare study aids based on the questions.

- Flashcards for vocabulary, highlight items in notes, review the handouts, review the SQ3R notes, etc.

4. Check your notebook for complete notes.

- Review your notes each day so that you can correct any missing information.
- Compare your notes to a classmate

5. Ask questions about anything in your notes that you don't understand.

- Put a question mark next to anything that doesn't make sense. Then have your teacher explain anything you don't understand. (Please don't wait until the day before the test to review your notes – review them daily).

6. Practice putting things in your own words.

- When studying, practice defining terms, words, major themes and ideas without looking at your notes. It will be easier to remember the information if you practice putting it in your own words.

7. Use more than one way to learn information

- Study in different ways – write it down, say it aloud, move around.

8. Break the material into smaller sections.

- Study 20 minutes a day – you will remember more when you study for a short time over many days.