



SUCCESS TIPS

TEST TAKING STUDY TACTICS

BEFORE TEST TACTICS (PASSIVE-ISH)

- Reading your notes
- Rewriting your notes
- Study groups (that are social)
- Reviewing past exams
- Reading definitions
- Meeting with your professor without being prepared

BEFORE TEST TACTICS (ACTIVE)

- Making and using flash cards
- Forming study groups that actively participate
- Anticipating test questions
- Meeting with your professor with questions regarding the test
- Creating fill in blanks based on your notes
- Utilizing the Khan Academy website
- Using the CD that comes with your book
- Checking D2L for study guides, past exam questions and past discussion questions
- Viewing YouTube videos pertaining to the subject matter
- Hiring a SmartyCats Tutor
- Creating pictures to remember the topics
- Creating Mnemonics to remember information
- Using acronyms to remember information
- Creating rhymes to memorize facts
- Making up songs to retain knowledge
- Using the “Put something in the house” method to recall information
- Semantics – Physical substitutions
- Debate with your classmates
- Using your Cornell notes to study
- Create an example for everything
- Building a model to make sense of the information you learned

DURING TEST

- Turn the “swag” on – Be confident!
- Eliminate wrong answers
- Color tactics
- Time vs. time completion – make sure you’re on track to answer all questions in the allotted time
- Annotate
- Answer the easy questions first
- Look for questions using similar vernacular to make sense of questions you don’t understand

AFTER TEST

- Review the mistakes you made and learn the right answers
- Speak with your professor if you are still unclear about anything