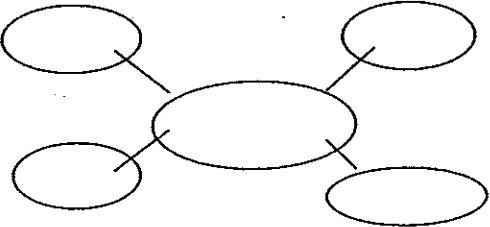


Active Study Tips



1. Get to know your textbook—Look at your textbooks and see how they are organized. Check to see if they use a color code to break sections up into parts.
2. Manage your time—Find a time and place where you can study each day. Make it part of your routine. For example, study right before your favorite tv show or right after dinner.
3. Make Flashcards—put a term on one side and the definition on the other. Flash through them when you have little bits of time: During a car ride, before leaving for school in the morning, and right before bed.
4. Make a web out of your notes:

5. Draw pictures or diagrams whenever possible. People remember best when they can see it in their mind.
6. Make a PowerPoint presentation—save it and add slides each day until the end of the unit.
7. Make up a practice test for yourself and then take the test. Chances are that you won't fail your own test! Plus, sometimes the questions you make up are the same ones that will appear on your real test in school. So you will be ready to answer them.
8. Use a "Learning Log" in which you write what you learned about each day in a notebook. You don't have to write a lot, just one line for each subject every day. It will keep the big ideas organized and connected.
9. Type your notes yourself or re-write them in different colors to color code similar ideas.
10. Record yourself reading your notes and then listen to yourself. Make it sound like a radio broadcast!
11. Create a song or rhyme using vocabulary words, spelling words, science terms, etc. It is a really fun way to remember words that you need to know.
12. Make up a board game that includes game cards, tokens, and points for answering questions. Then play the game with your parents or a friend...You can bet that you'll be the winner since you invented the game yourself!
13. Look for more ideas on study skills and techniques online. There are many resources and ideas. Remember that ACTIVE STUDYING is more effective than just reading over your notes.
14. Most importantly: THINK POSITIVELY!!! Your attitude toward school work and studying can affect how well you do.

GOOD LUCK