

Study Skills Ideas List

- ✓ Test your knowledge with practice tests:
 - Create flashcards (Try www.quizlet.com to make digital flashcards).
 - Try using the SQR3 (Survey, Question, Read, Recite, Review) method.
 - Ask your teacher/professor if they have old tests that you can use for practice.

- ✓ Create memory tools:
 - Create mnemonics to remember main concepts (e.g., “My Very Educated Mother Just Served Us Nachos” to remember the planets of the solar system).
 - Create image-name associations (e.g., to remember that a hat trick in hockey means three goals scored in a game, visualize three hats stacked on top of each other).

- ✓ Use graphic organizers:
 - Mind maps can help show connections between ideas.
 - Compare and contrast charts can help you make clear distinctions between concepts, Venn diagrams can be used to also note down what two concepts have in common.
 - Cause and effect charts can be useful for remembering historical events.

- ✓ Teach someone else:
 - Practice demonstrating your knowledge by explaining a concept to someone else, the easier it is for you to describe, the more you understand it yourself!
 - Work with a friend to match notes and expand upon each other’s ideas.

- ✓ Summarize your learning:
 - Try to condense your notes to the most important points (The Cornell Method of notetaking is highly effective).
 - Try to answer Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How?

- ❖ Having good study skills are highly useful. They will benefit you in school and in life. Try different methods and find what works best for you as a learner *and* for what works best for what you are trying to study.

- ❖ Studying should be done regularly and not last minute for best success. Make studying a common habit so that learning can stick!

Check out (<https://www.virtualsalt.com/learn1.html>) for many great learning strategies and useful examples.