

Test Preparation
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What can you do to make your test preparation time more effective and successful? What I came up with is a strategy in which, I start by surveying my text 1st or I could simply scan the material then proceed to use a procedure that I picked up by googling it for deeper comprehension. Which is SQ4R. I'll get back to that later. In my text book I found out that if I could comprehend how to create acronyms and acrostics on my own then this would be a great start to remembering the information that I just read. I was unhappy with my test scores so I called myself doing some research to figure out how I could retain this information I could use to improve my test scores 1st I would apply the things I learned in my text about the acronyms and the acrostics. But it just so happened that I was so impressed with the strategy of SQ4R.

This stands for Survey, question, read recite relate and review. With this I should be able to remember key points that begin to stand out to me. These are six simple steps on what I can go by to retain information and then apply it to my test after each week. I found this reading method on line at (Brazosport College). PQ4R is a study technique developed by Thomas E L and Robinson H.A (1972) This is an acronym which stands for preview, question, read, reflect, recite, review. This is recommended for students who have difficulty reading.

I do not have a problem with reading, retaining the material seems to be an issue with me. This is where these strategies will help me to store this info in my long term memory, then be able to go back inside my head or memory bank to pull up the key facts that stuck with me. However if I can practice these along with a to do list and various styles of note taking.

Last but not least is the SQ3R technique which is recommended for taking exams. This is a proven step by step strategic approach to learning and studying from the text books because it helps you to discover and comprehend facts and ideas that are found in your text. I guess you could say and master the art of detecting key notes