

Study Skills – Lesson Three

Lesson Title: Study Skills Keys

Objective: To explore how techniques can help students' score better on test and write better papers.

Grade: 6-8 **Time:** 25-30 minutes

Materials: Board and Marker, 'Study Skills II' sheet

1. Review having a positive attitude. Emphasize that this is the most important factor in learning.
2. Pass out the 'Study Skills II' sheet. Ask students answer the questions true or false on the 'Preparing For and Taking a Test' section. Explain each answer after the students complete the questions: 1) False 2) True 3) False 4) True 5) False 6) True 7) False
3. Ask students to number in order the list on the 'Reading a Textbook Chapter' section. The order is 4), 3), 1), 2) and 5). Explain each answer.
4. Ask students to number in order the list on the 'Steps in Preparing a Report' section. The order is 2), 4), 1), 5), 3) and 6). Explain each answer.
5. Ask students answer the questions true or false on the 'Self Assessment' section.
6. Explain that it is good to have as many true answers as possible. Look at the questions that you answered false and see what you can do to make it true. Go through each answer and explain why it is important for that to be true. Emphasize that attitude is the most important factor in learning.

Study Skills II

Preparing For and Taking a Test (True or False)

- _____ 1) Do most of your studying the night before a test so the material will be fresh in your mind the next day?
- _____ 2) Make sure you know what will be covered on the test.
- _____ 3) There's no way of knowing what kind of questions will be asked on the test
- _____ 4) Don't try to memorize until two nights before the test.
- _____ 5) Answer all the questions in the order they appear on the test.
- _____ 6) Key words give you clues to the answer
- _____ 7) If your mind goes blank, you haven't studied enough

Reading a Textbook Chapter (number in order)

- _____ 1) Look at the pictures, graphs and charts.
- _____ 2) Read through the chapter and take notes
- _____ 3) Read the summary if there is one
- _____ 4) Read the review questions
- _____ 5) Try to answer the review questions

Steps in Preparing a Report (number in order)

- _____ 1) Making an outline
- _____ 2) Choosing a topic
- _____ 3) Revising and editing
- _____ 4) Getting information (research)
- _____ 5) Writing a first draft
- _____ 6) Writing a final draft

Self Assessment (True or False)

- _____ 1) I usually have a good attitude about school
- _____ 2) My school work is challenging
- _____ 3) I can do as well in school as I did when I was younger
- _____ 4) I don't have trouble being on time for school or class
- _____ 5) I have enough time to do my work.
- _____ 6) I don't put off doing my homework
- _____ 7) I enjoy my classes
- _____ 8) I don't forget my books, notebooks, pens, etc.