

Test-Taking Tips Exercise: Create an Effective Study Guide

Now that you have become familiar with tutoring resources on campus, exam preparation, and question word definitions, you will now take this material and learn how to create an effective study guide. So often, students are told to attend class, read the materials, and study but they are provided with little direction as to how to create supplemental study materials. I am sure you have noticed some students write down everything the teacher says, while others only refer to their textbooks; both are somewhat passive extremes. The key to an effective study guide is to actively work with the content material so that the act of creating the study guide, in addition to actually using it, work in concert to transfer information from your short-term to your long-term memory.



"Mr. Osborne, may I be excused? My brain is full."

Based on the information provided today, please work with a partner or two to create a 5-question study guide. Use the *Question Word Definitions* page to guide your questions and answers. Select a representative from your team as these questions and answers will be shared with the group.