Developing Smart Study Skills

Good Study Habits
Produce Good Grades!
Study Tips!

- Set a regular time to study
- Remove distractions
- Have necessary supplies
- Record assignments in an assignment book or on a calendar
Study Tips!

- Take notes in class
- Manage your time
- Study for tests
Find A Good Place To Study!

🌟 This means a desk with nothing on it except what you need for the task you’re on: STUDYING!

🌟 Have a regular time and place for studying.
Make sure you have the following:

- Your assignment notebook or calendar
- Solid flat surface for writing
- Good lighting
- Chair
- Books
- Supplies
Make sure you have the following!

- Clock
- Eliminate all distractions
- Computer (optional)
- Wear your glasses (if you are suppose to)
- Good Health
- Something to drink (if needed)
Before Class!

- Think about what the class is going to be about
- What were the main points covered in the last class
- Review what your assignment was for the class
- Have your Homework Assignment out on your desk – ready to turn in.
- Prepare for every subject in this manner.
During Class!

- Does your general knowledge provide any information about the subject being taught?
- What comes to mind during the instruction that may be helpful?
- Concentrate on the subject being taught
- Take notes on the main points
After Class!

- Review your notes and think about what was covered in class.
- Some people like to rewrite their notes as they study.
- Some people like to underline and highlight important ideas and vocabulary.
How to Listen Better!

- Form a good habit – good listening in class!
- Concentrate on what is going on in class – do not daydream!
- You cannot listen if you are talking!
Learning to Listen!

- Good listening means you are paying attention.
- Try to hear what is said, not what you want to hear.
- Think “around” the topic and “between the lines”.
- Relate it to what you already know.
- What is the main point?
Learning to Listen!

- What is likely to be on the test?
- What is the teacher going to say next?
- Listen carefully to the assignment and write it down in your assignment book.
- Listen for these essential phrases from the teacher: “This is important...”
  “It is essential that you know...”
Improving Reading Skills!

A good reader does as many of the following as possible:

- **Seizes** the main ideas
- **Thinks** about what the author is saying
- **Is active,** not passive
- **Concentrates** on what is being read
- **Remembers** as much as possible
- **Applies** what is being read to personal experience.
Think of it this way:
The author is the *pitcher*
When you read a book
You want to *catch* the Meaning.
Taking Notes In Class!

- Be prepared to take notes when class begins.
- Avoid any distracting conduct.
- Participate constructively in class discussions.
- Ask Questions!
- Write notes in a concise, organized manner.