

Top Ten Tips for Preparing for Tests

1. Keep up with assigned text reading and actively engage with it (relate ideas, take notes, highlight, separate significant facts to be memorized from ideas to be reviewed, create memory tools, do HWs and problems on time to reinforce understanding/memory)
2. Do everything possible to be ready to take meaningful notes in class—create a frame of reference (filing system) from your text and posted Powerpoints beforehand for the info that will be presented in class
3. Add notes to Powerpoints
4. Attend all classes and go to test review sessions offered by your professor and/or TAs
5. Review tests taken earlier in the course for strengths and weaknesses
6. Review and “clean up” class notes regularly
7. —add, clarify, highlight, summarize
8. Get a good night’s sleep before the test (give material a chance to “settle in”), and get to the classroom a little early—select a front-row seat and block out the rest of the class
9. Read the directions carefully
10. Do all the questions you can answer easily first and return to the difficult questions



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