

20 WAYS TO STUDY



When it comes to getting good grades, some kids still believe in **luck**. They think that some students get good grades because teachers like them. They believe that natural athletes become professional athletes and that smart kids naturally get the good grades. Wrong! That kind of mistaken logic leads students to believe that only poor students have to study and that working for something is a waste of time or somehow a bad thing. The truth is that hard work pays off!

Below is a list of 20 methods that you can use to study material. Try them all and pick the ones that work best for you! If you do, you will see your grades soar! Good Luck!

1. **Practice with flashcards.**
2. **Ask someone to quiz you.**
3. **Read.**
4. **Reread.**
5. **Highlight your notes.**
6. **Summarize.**
7. **Read your notes.**
8. **Read your notes aloud.**
9. **Organize your papers so you are working with everything you need.**
10. **Outline or make a graphic version of written work (lists, columns, Venn diagrams, etc.).**
11. **Use stolen chunks of time to study (when you are waiting in the lobby, using a curling iron, or riding in a car or bus, for example).**
12. **Quiz yourself. (Tape that vocabulary list to the bathroom mirror! 😊)**
13. **Write memory work over and over until you feel confident.**
14. **Use a worksheet as a quiz by covering over the answers and re-doing it.**
15. **Look over old quizzes and try to figure out why you're making mistakes.**
16. **Look over the returned assignments for the unit.**
17. **Answer study guide questions.**
18. **Tell someone else what the topic is about. Share 10 key concepts with a partner.**
19. **Look up the parts of the assignments that you didn't understand the first time.**
20. **Remember, studying is NOT just spending time in front of a book, and practice and success go together like white on rice, spots on dice, cats on mice, and cold on ice! 😊**

