

Taking Effective Notes

There is so much to learn in the world that our brains have a hard time keeping up. Learning how to take notes is a great way to create something you can use to freshen up your brain when you start forgetting something.

Vocabulary	
Organized	Put into categories that make things easier to find. Neat.
Purposeful	Done with a reason. Focused.
Inquiry	A question that rises during learning.

Step One: Setting Up Your Notes

- Put the _____ in the _____ corner to help you organize your notes more easily.
- In the large blank white space on top, write the _____ and the _____.

Step Two: Taking and Organizing Notes

- As you read, pay attention to important _____.
- Create a _____ for the notes you will be taking.
- Use _____ to separate pieces of information that belong under that header.
- Remove _____ words from the note to make it shorter.
- When you begin a new _____, skip a line and create a new header.

Step Three: Reviewing Notes

- Stop after each topic and think about the most important information you wrote down.
- Think of a question that you would like answered later.
- Highlight anything that seems especially important

Step Four: Save Your Notes

- Keep your notes safe in a binder or folder so you can find them later.

Note Taking Example

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Reading - Frogs

Parts of a Frog

- Eyes are on the sides of the head to help spot predators.
- Legs are very strong to help them jump.
- Skin is needs to stay moist for frogs but can be dry for toads.

Why are toads bumpy and frogs not?

What Frogs Eat

- Frogs eat more than just insects. Some frogs eat baby frogs.
- Amazon horned frog eats anything smaller than it.
- Frogs use long tongue to eat flying insects.

Do all frogs have long tongues?

Frog Habitats

- Most frogs live in rainforest. They need moist and watery environment.
- Frogs that live in desert are usually toads. Don't need water.
- Frog skin is sensitive to pollution. They also don't like cold.

Do any frogs live in snowy places? Do they have anything that protects them?
Are there any frogs that live in mountains?