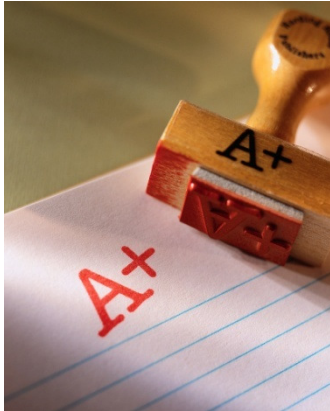


**Time Required:** 30-45 minutes



### Content Standards:

Students will complete school with the academic rigor and preparation essential to choose from a wide range of substantial post-secondary options, including college.

### Indicators (Students will...):

Learn, practice and utilize test-taking strategies to improve assessment results.

**GOAL: Students will become more aware of the things they can do to improve their test-taking skills.**

### Activity Statements:

Students will review two test-taking checklists and discuss upcoming semester exams.

### Materials:

1. Handout 1 – “Test-Taking Checklist”
2. Pen or pencil

### Procedures:

1. Make copies of Handout 1 – “Test-Taking Checklist.”
2. Distribute checklist to the students.
3. Have students read the list and put an **S** next those items that are primarily the student’s responsibility and a **T** next to those that are primarily a teacher’s responsibility.
4. Point out that some items could be the responsibility of both.
5. Have students circle the number of any item that they think they need to discuss with a teacher.

### Discussion:

1. What might a student do if he/she wants to practice more for upcoming semester exams?
2. Most semester exams are *cumulative*. What does this mean?

### Integrative Closing Statement:

It is important for students to be aware of test-taking tips in order to improve their academic performance. Encourage students to talk with teachers if they need any clarification regarding what will be covered on upcoming exams.

# TEST TAKING STRATEGIES – Handout 1

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### Additional Resources:

#### Test Prep

[http://wv.educationplanner.org/education\\_planner/preparing\\_article.asp?sponsor=2869&articleName=Test\\_Prep](http://wv.educationplanner.org/education_planner/preparing_article.asp?sponsor=2869&articleName=Test_Prep) (This site can be used to download tips, sample questions, and practice tests.)



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