

# TEST TAKING WITHOUT FEAR

## Study Guide Questions

1. What do standardized tests usually cover?
2. Most standardized tests involve what kinds of questions?
3. What's one advantage to a multiple-choice test?
4. Words like "except," "not," or "always" are known as "\_\_\_\_\_."
5. If you're having trouble with a multiple-choice question, what should you do first?
6. What are your chances of answering a true/false question correctly?
7. If a true/false question contains one of the following words: "all," none," "never," always," or "every," the correct answer is probably "\_\_\_\_\_."
8. Why are fill-in-the-blank or sentence-completion tests more challenging than multiple-choice or true/false tests?
9. What should you look for, to help you with fill-in-the-blank questions?
10. What are the two basic types of essay tests?
11. Why are essay tests often used in English and history classes?
12. On long-answer tests, always write in complete sentences. True or false?

13. On essay tests, reinforce your answer by providing what?
14. With what does every day of class provide a student?
15. Why is it important to read all assigned material?
16. Waiting until the last moment to study is called  
"\_\_\_\_\_."
17. Name three useful study aids.
18. Why does eating good food help you to perform better at school?
19. Why should you wear a watch on test day?
20. What is the one major purpose of high school tests?

## Study Guide Answers

1. What do standardized tests usually cover?

**a variety of subjects that a well-rounded student should know**

2. Most standardized tests involve what kinds of questions?

**multiple choice**

3. What's one advantage to a multiple-choice test?

**The correct answer is always provided.**

4. Words like "except," "not," or "always" are known as "\_\_\_\_\_."

**qualifiers**

5. If you're having trouble with a multiple-choice question, what should you do first?

**Eliminate the answer choices that you know are incorrect.**

6. What are your chances of answering a true/false question correctly?

**50/50**

7. If a true/false question contains one of the following words: "all," none," "never," always," or "every," the correct answer is probably "\_\_\_\_\_."

**false**

8. Why are fill-in-the-blank or sentence-completion tests more challenging than multiple-choice or true/false tests?

**The correct answer is not provided among choices. You must pull it from your memory.**

9. What should you look for, to help you with fill-in-the-blank questions?

**context clues**

10. What are the two basic types of essay tests?

**short answer and long answer**

11. Why are essay tests often used in English and history classes?

**They allow students to explain their interpretation of a book or an historical event. They allow for in-depth answers.**

12. On long-answer tests, always write in complete sentences. True or false?

**true**

13. On essay tests, reinforce your answer by providing what?

**a reason, an example, or an explanation**

14. With what does every day of class provide a student?

**information to digest before the next test**

15. Why is it important to read all assigned material?

**The teacher considers it to be important and it will likely appear on a test.**

16. Waiting until the last moment to study is called  
"\_\_\_\_\_."

**cramming**

17. Name three useful study aids.

**an outline, flash cards, mnemonic devices**

18. Why does eating good food help you to perform better at school?

**Foods that are high in fats and sugars weigh you down and make you feel tired. A balanced meal gives your body the fuel it needs to make the grade.**

19. Why should you wear a watch on test day?

**so you can pace yourself**

20. What is the one major purpose of high school tests?

**They let your teacher know at what pace you're learning.**