



Academic Success Centre



Test Taking Strategies: Multiple Choice

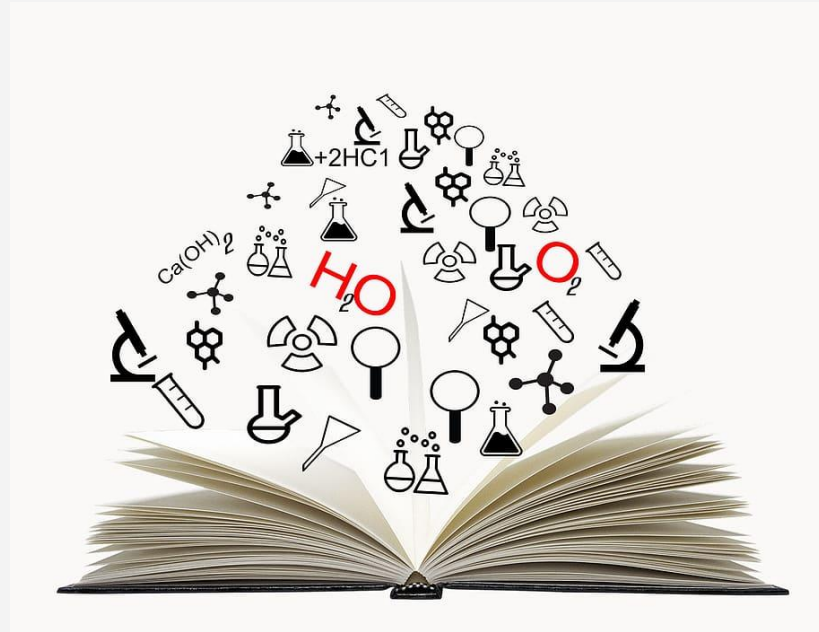
Multiple Choice Exam Questions

Are they as easy as we think?

Preparing for MC	The Answer Process	Difficult MC Question Types
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Preparing for Multiple Choice

- Supplied Practice Questions
 - Current or Old textbooks
 - Alternate textbooks
- Course Tests
 - Important areas
 - Difficult areas
- Self-Created Questions
 - Course syllabus
 - Course assignments
 - Course notes, readings
- Crowdsourced with Classmates



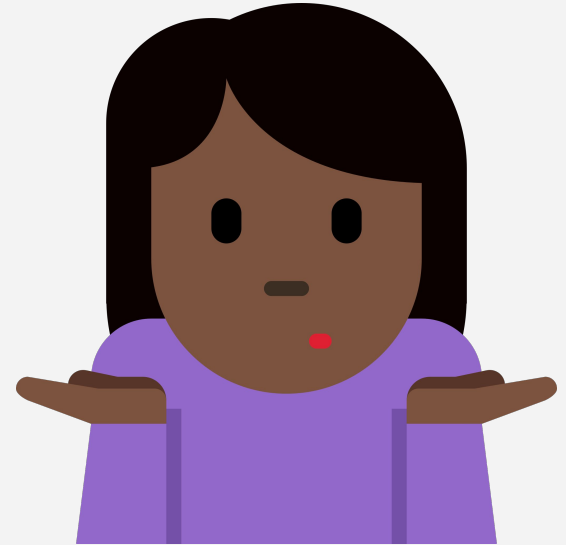
The Answer Process: Multiple Choice

- Read every answer to find the usual 4 choices
 - 1 obviously wrong
 - 2 partially right
 - 1 obviously right
- Read with Purpose & Pace
 - Do you know the answer without reading?
 - Can you eliminate any?
- No penalty marks?
 - Guess!



Difficult Multiple Choice Questions

- Absolutes
- Double Negatives
- Distracting (extraneous or erroneous)
- Blended Answers
 - “all of the above”
 - “none of the above”
 - ”a, b, and d”





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