

Student Voices: Preparing for Tests (Group 1)

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[00:00:00.47] A week before I take the test, I would take the practice test online. And the day before, I would just relax versus cramming for it.

[00:00:08.76] Right before a test, I review what I read. I talk to others and I pray-- pray for all my tests, and hope, Lord, give me all the answers and just write my hand on the right bubble.

[00:00:22.12] For me, two weeks or more before a test, I usually look over my PowerPoints. I read the chapter as much as possible, but not too much because of if you read too much, you stop really learning. Or I would stop learning after reading too much for me to handle. The day before the test, I should already know most of everything I need to know, so I just review my notes and review PowerPoints. I look over the chapter and then I stop.

[00:00:49.97] About two weeks before a test, the way I prepare for it is that the professor's giving out all this information. I just make sure I have the little blotches of information, make sure I have all that I need to have. And then about a week before, put all of that information together, make it one big picture. Make it one big idea that I can grasp and make sure it all relates to each other and I can see how it fits together.

[00:01:11.75] And then about two, three days before, study it. Really look at this picture. Really find the pieces that make it a real idea. And about the day before, maybe read over it once or twice, but chill. Don't worry about it.

[00:01:26.39] Think about it, but don't beat yourself up about it. When I sit down to take this test, I just take a breath. I'm still going to be alive after this test, so it's not going to kill me if I don't do well, but just make sure I'm calm for it and just plunge right in.