



TIPS

Reading Selection Multiple Choice

BEFORE YOU READ

1. Read the questions first.

Reading the questions first will help you establish a purpose. Read the selection with the questions in mind.

2. Highlight keywords.

Identify keywords in the questions that you think might come up in the reading.

3. Scan the reading.

Aim for the gist. Try to get a sense the author's main point.

AS YOU READ

4. Underline important information.

Underline keywords in the reading that you recognize from the questions.

5. Use context clues.

Determine the meaning of unfamiliar words by reading the whole sentence. Then, read the sentence before and after. Try substituting words.

AFTER YOU READ

6. Read the entire question.

Read the whole question. Don't jump to the options because you think you know.

7. Answer in your mind first.

Before reading the options, try to answer without looking. Then read the options.

8. Read every option.

Don't assume you know the answer as soon as you see it. Read every option.

9. Eliminate wrong answers

Eliminate answers that you are certain are wrong. Cross them out.

10. Choose the most correct answer

Several answers may seem correct but only one is right. Look for the best answer.

11. Check your answers before making a final decision.

Return to the selection to check your answers. Some information will be "on the page" and some will be "between the lines". Make an inference.

12. Never leave a question unanswered.

When you've done all of the above and still don't know, make an educated guess.