Webnote 993: How to Study: Economics

Pre Read Text or relevant teacher notes/ presentations. Reading ahead always works!

Go to Class

Organisation

You need to be highly organised. Time management is crucial. Start working early in the school year. Take notes. Best Notetaking: see Webnote 94

Understand the concepts? The vocabulary? The diagrams? How to evaluate the information? Can you make links to other areas of the syllabus?

I can!

For the moment I can't or at least not easily!

Strengthen Exam skills:

- use syllabus + exam questions to guide your learning
- . Practice questions.
- Find IB questions for every topic in the course

Find a different source that gives you better explanations!

Set up a Study Group with 1, 2 or 3 other students.

Ask your teacher for advice about about your work and where necessary finding a solution or just to check your strategies. Remember test your understanding of economics at home or in your study group before your teacher gives you a Summative!

Take Notes in class-maybe use webnote 99

Be active in class in order to record key ideas and areas for further reading.... Ask Questions. Write questions. Use the questions in the syllabus. By using questions in your notes you are simulating an exam situation.

Take Notes: Follow reading Schedule for course (webnote 502). Review at home. Read/listen to Business News.

- 1. Edit notes same day as class or soon afterwards.
- 2. Make sure you have a time management plan with clear study times for economics during the week.
- 3. Remember your dictionary and reading notes are the best revision guides you can use as long as you understand your own notes. All good so far!
- 4. Find study strategies that suit you e.g. use question based learning, review content regularly and mix up your syllabus topics when reviewing. All of these will improve your long term memory skills for exams. See Webnote 94.
- Remember a key to learning economics is to schedule one hour per week to review content covered. Every week! For more details on this see webnote 997 – 8 Revision Strategies.

Use the syllabus.

This guides further reading on the same topic as studied in class and gives you key questions (some of which appear in IB exams). The syllabus has questions for every section of the course.

Notes + Dictionary = 2 Revision Guides.

Key task in economics at home is to take notes and produce dictionary. These are two key revision guides in the subject.

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