



One of these things is not like the other...
so how do you know what to do!?!?

Tips for Answering Different Test Questions

Fill in the Blank

- If you do not know the exact answer, come as close as you can. You might at least get partial credit.
- Check the number of blanks. Occasionally an instructor will leave the same number of blanks as the number of words in the answer.
- Look for a or an. A word that starts with a vowel which should follow an; a word that starts with a consonant should follow a.

True/False

- Watch out for absolute words like always, never, and entirely. Since few things in life are always true, questions using these words are often false.
- If *any* part of the statement is wrong, *the whole thing is false*. Example, "The Volkswagen is a small foreign car made in France," is false.

Multiple Choice

- Anticipate the answer. Try answering the question before you look at the choices. This gets your mind working helps you recognize the correct choice when you see it.
- Consider all the answers. Do not just mark the first answer that "looks good."
- Try rephrasing the question, if you are not sure of the answer. Sometimes rewording a question jogs your memory and supplies the answer. You can also change the ideas in the question. IE: If you are a Kinesiology major and apples and oranges do not make sense, change it to footballs and volleyballs. Do not lose the integrity of the question, just alter the players.
- If you have to guess, first eliminate the wrong or unlikely choices, increasing the odds your guess will be correct.

Matching

- Read all the items in both columns before answering any questions.
- Answer those you know first.
- Find out whether each answer is used only once. If you are allowed to write on the test, cross out the letter after you use it so that you can see what is left.