

Grade 7 Life Orientation Worksheet

Study methods: taking notes

Read the following from:

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Note-taking

Good studying at home begins with good notes taken in class. Just as everyone has a different learning style, different teachers have different teaching styles (and often these clash with the students' learning styles!). Some teachers lecture, some lead discussions, some "facilitate" individual work (as in a lab), etc. Consequently, different classroom settings will require different note-taking techniques. But the suggestions here are general enough to work in most situations.

Take complete notes

The key idea of taking good notes in class is to *write down as much as possible*. There are several reasons to take notes that are as complete as possible:

1. It will force you to pay attention to what's going on in class. Paying attention will save a lot of study time!
2. It will keep you awake.
3. There will be less that you'll have to remember.



Questions

1. What does this article advise you to do in order to help with your studies? [1]
2. Name three teaching styles mentioned in the text. [3]
3. What is the key to taking good notes in class? [1]
4. Why is it important to pay attention in class and practise active listening? [2]
5. Why take notes in class? [3]

Total: 10 marks

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Suggested Solutions

1. To take good notes in class. [1]
2. Some teachers lecture, some lead discussions, some "facilitate" individual work. [3]
3. Write down as much as possible. [1]
4. Paying attention in class will save you time when you have to study and will help you understand what your teacher is teaching you. [2]
5. It will force you to pay attention to what's going on in class. Paying attention will save a lot of study time! It will keep you awake. There will be less that you'll have to remember. [3]

Total marks [10]