

TEST TAKING STRATEGIES

Kindergarten	First	Second	Third	Fourth
	highlighting/underlining evidence	highlighting/underlining evidence	highlighting/underlining evidence	highlighting/underlining evidence
	Looking for plural words that indicate need for more than one answer	Looking for plural words that indicate need for more than one answer	Looking for plural words that indicate need for more than one answer	Looking for plural words that indicate need for more than one answer
		Looking at all of the information from the reading and the graphics and the questions, etc. (BACK AND FORTH)	Looking at all of the information from the reading and the graphics and the questions, etc. (BACK AND FORTH)	Looking at all of the information from the reading and the graphics and the questions, etc. (BACK AND FORTH)
Transferring work correctly from paper to computer (as simple as copying from one to the other i.e. sight words, numbers, etc.)	Transferring work correctly from paper to computer (as simple as copying from one to the other i.e. sight words, numbers, etc.)	Transferring work correctly from paper to computer (testing)	Use a grid and number the scrap paper to align to the questions on the computer	Use a grid and number the scrap paper to align to the questions on the computer
	Double-check: Reread/rework	Double-check: Reread/rework Work it backwards in math (4th Q)	Double-check: Reread/rework Work it backwards in math MAP: When the check your work screen comes up, STOP, STRETCH, SIP, SMILE, Double-CHECK	Double-check: Reread/rework Work it backwards in math MAP: When the check your work screen comes up, STOP, STRETCH, SIP, SMILE, Double-CHECK
	Process of elimination	Process of elimination	Process of elimination	Process of elimination

Read the question first	Read the question first	Read the question first	Read the question first	Read the question first
	Underline numbers/questions/important information	Underline numbers/questions/important information	Underline numbers/questions/important information	Underline numbers/questions/important information
		Substitute answers to see what makes sense/Does your answer make sense?	Substitute answers to see what makes sense/Does your answer make sense?	Substitute answers to see what makes sense/Does your answer make sense?
		RAP: Restate, answer, Prove	RAP: Restate, answer, Prove	RAP: Restate, answer, Prove
C circle the numbers U underline the questions B ox the action words S solve	C circle the numbers U underline the questions B ox the action S solve	C circle the numbers U underline the questions B ox the action words E valuate and predict what you should do S solve	R read it R reread it U underline D draw S solve W write it E explain it	R read it R reread it U underline D draw S solve W write it E explain it
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POWERFUL WORDS

Trace
Analyze
Infer
Evaluate
Formulate
Describe
Support/Explain
Summarize/Predict

Compare/Contrast