**Doing your Best on Multiple Choice Questions**

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1. **Read the question and all of the answers carefully.**

* Underline/Highlight words you do not know and try and figure out meaning in context
* Pay attention to specific words and details

1. **Select the answer carefully.**

* Read all options fully and cross out the ones you are sure are wrong. Then focus on what you have left to choose from

1. **Use what you do know in the answers.**

* Focus on what you do know about a topic to help make a reasonable choice

1. **Do not always choose your first response. Always check!**
2. **Make good use of your pencil and highlighter.**
3. **When a question requires the “best” answer, realize that it may not fit exactly.**

* It is simply better than the other answers

1. **When asked to respond to the main idea, read the passage and determine what you think it is before looking at the answers.**

* Then see if any of the answers fit

1. **Skip a question if you are unsure and then return later to try again. You want to finish as much of the test as possible!**
2. **When you still can’t pick an answer and time is running out, make a guess.**

* It is better to guess than put nothing!