## KEYS TO HIGH SCHOOL AND POST-SECONDARY SUC

There are three things that academic advisors in post-secondary institutions wish grade 12 students knew before they left high school and what they use to help students who run into problems.

- 1. How to break down large tasks (i.e. reading a textbook, writing a 25-page term paper, studying for a final exam, etc.) into smaller ones.
  - x UMass--Dartmouth
  - x Algonquin College
  - x StudyRight
- Time management, effective use of day timers and properly planning and scheduling your work. Most post-secondary institutions recommend that students read 3 or more hours for every hour they are in class—lectures, labs, etc.
  - x Top Universities
  - x Charles Darwin University
- 3. How to read effectively and efficiently. Research the SQ3R method.
  - x Khan Academy
  - x Virginia Tech
- SSurvey—skim the chapter, look at pics, headings, charts, maps, get a general idea of what it's about.
- Q-Question—make up some questions based on your survey.
- o R-Read
- o R-Recite—answer the questions you asked.
- o R-Review

Many other important topics for students are covered in both of the following websites from the U of R and U of S.

- x Notetaking
- x Exam preparation and writing
- x Term paper writing
- x Problem solving
- x Learning styles
- x Avoiding plagiarism
- x Doing presentations
- x Learning communities and study groups

## Sources:

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