



Test Taking Tips for True/False Tests

True/False questions require you to recognize a fact or an idea. They also check your reading comprehension. You may have to memorize information, and you must read the statements very carefully. Try using the following hints:

1. **The entire sentence must be true.** If any one part of the sentence is false, the whole sentence is false. Even if part of it is true, any false information makes it false.
2. **Beware of negative words.** Negative words include: no, not, cannot, never, not at all, no one, absolutely not. Statements with a negative word are rarely true.
3. **Beware of absolute words.** Absolute words include: always, every, entirely, all, all the time, and everyone. Statements are rarely true with one of these absolute words.
4. **Look for words that show shades of meaning.** Words like sometimes, often, frequently, many, most, rarely, sometimes, occasionally, generally, and ordinarily often indicate true statements. That's because they show that the statement is not completely right or wrong.
5. **Guess!** Should you guess on true/false questions? *Yes!* That's because you have a 50% chance of getting the answer right.