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A Four-Week Study Plan

The plan below assumes five study days each week. A study day may be 45-75 minutes. This is a suggested sequence, not a requirement: if you need more time, extend a week rather than advancing with unstable accuracy. If you have more time, add delayed review rather than rushing through new material.

Week	Primary work	Daily emphasis
1	Chapters 1-2	Explicit information, main idea, summary, evidence, inference, and prediction. Keep work untimed until your evidence is consistent.
2	Chapters 3-5	Sequence, structure, context, purpose, perspective, bias, policies, forms, and directions. Begin timing short stimulus sets.
3	Chapters 6-8	Visual reading, arguments, comparison, and integration. Rework all missed questions from Weeks 1 and 2 after a delay.
4	Chapter 9 and tests	Complete the timing chapter, take Print Test 1, repair by objective, and then take Print Test 2. Do not take the forms on consecutive days.

A useful study record

For every missed or guessed item, record five facts:

1. the chapter or practice-test question number;
2. the objective being tested;
3. the evidence that controls the answer;
4. the error type;
5. one action you will apply to the next similar question.

A note such as “R.1.4—I read the correct row but ignored the footnote; check notes before choosing” is actionable. “Careless” is not.

When your test date is close

Do not attempt to finish the entire book in one sitting. Prioritize Chapters 1, 2, 6, 7, and 8, then use Chapter 9 to rehearse pacing. Complete one print test under realistic conditions and spend at least as much time reviewing it as you spent taking it. A second rushed test is less useful than a careful analysis of the first.

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Worked Example: Compressing Three Paragraphs

Reusable Container Program

A hospital cafeteria discarded thousands of single-use takeout containers each month. To reduce that waste, it began a twelve-week reusable-container pilot for employees. Participants paid a refundable deposit and returned used containers to collection bins.

During the pilot, employees returned 84 percent of the containers. Cafeteria staff reported that the bins nearest the main entrances filled quickly, while one bin in a distant hallway was rarely used.

The cafeteria will continue the program for another quarter. It will move the least-used bin and test clearer return instructions before deciding whether to offer the program to visitors.

The first paragraph gives the problem and response. The second reports a promising result and a location issue. The third explains the next step and shows that the final decision has not been made.

Accurate summary. A hospital cafeteria tested reusable takeout containers to reduce waste; most containers were returned, and the cafeteria will adjust bin placement and instructions before considering a wider program.

This summary omits the deposit and exact length because they are not necessary to understand the program's central development. It keeps the phrase "before considering" because the program has not yet been expanded.

Practice: Keep the Essential Development

Complete the work before checking the chapter answers.

Neighborhood Air-Sensor Project

A public library lent portable air-quality sensors to residents in two neighborhoods. Participants placed the sensors outdoors for one week and uploaded readings through a library tablet. The project was designed to show residents how local measurements are collected, not to replace the city's official monitoring network.

Most participants completed the full week. Several reported that instructions for calibrating the sensor were difficult to follow, so librarians created a short demonstration video for the second round. Completion increased after the video was introduced.

1. Write a one-sentence summary of the selection.

2. Which detail can most safely be omitted from a brief summary?

   A. Residents borrowed portable sensors from a library.

   B. The project did not replace official monitoring.

   C. Participants used a library tablet to upload readings.

   D. A demonstration video addressed a problem with calibration instructions.

3. Why must a summary preserve the statement about official monitoring?

4. Revise this overstatement: "The library's sensors created a complete new air-monitoring system for the city."

Study Break



"I found the main idea. It was hiding in every paragraph."

1.5 Recognize an Accurate Paraphrase

A paraphrase expresses the same meaning in new words. It may shorten or reorganize a sentence, but it must preserve relationships, conditions, and degree of certainty.

Paraphrasing is tested even when the word *paraphrase* does not appear in the stem. A correct answer to a detail question is often a paraphrase of the controlling sentence. To judge it, compare meaning rather than vocabulary.

Pay particular attention to logical force. *May* does not mean *will*. *Most* does not mean *all*. *Only after* creates an order that cannot be reversed. *Associated with* does not mean *caused by*. A paraphrase that changes one of these relationships is a different claim.

One useful method is to reduce the original sentence to a meaning skeleton: who or what, does what, under what condition, with what degree of certainty. Then compare that skeleton with each answer.

Worked Example: Preserving a Condition

Training Requirement

Employees who completed the online safety module before Friday may begin supervised equipment training on Monday, provided that a trainer is available.

The meaning skeleton is: employees with completed modules *may* begin Monday training *if* a trainer is available.
"Finishing the module by Friday makes an employee eligible for Monday training when a trainer is available" is accurate.
"Every employee who finishes the module will train Monday" is not. It changes eligibility into a guarantee and removes the availability condition.

Practice: Protect the Meaning

Complete the work before checking the chapter answers.

1. Which sentence best paraphrases "The committee may extend the pilot if the second-month data show continued improvement"?
   A. The pilot will continue permanently.
   B. Continued improvement would allow the committee to consider a longer pilot.
   C. The committee has rejected the second-month data.
   D. Improvement is guaranteed during the second month.
2. Explain the change in meaning when *some participants* is replaced by *participants*.
3. Paraphrase this direction: "Do not seal the envelope until the supervisor has signed page 2."
4. Which word in the sentence "The new route was associated with a small increase in ridership" prevents a reader from claiming proven cause?

1.6 Build an Evidence Chain

A defensible answer can be traced through a simple chain: question, controlling evidence, reasoning, and conclusion.

Evidence is not merely a quotation copied from the selection. It is the specific information that makes an answer reasonable. The reasoning step explains how that information answers the stem. Direct-detail questions may need one sentence. Main-idea and summary questions usually require a pattern across several details.

Before reading the options, try to predict a short answer. Prediction prevents an attractive distractor from defining the question for you. Then test each choice against the evidence. Reject an answer that uses the wrong paragraph, reverses a relationship, adds an unstated cause, narrows the scope to one example, or broadens the conclusion beyond the selection.

This method also helps when two choices seem possible. Ask which choice requires fewer assumptions. The better answer is the one that can be supported by visible evidence without supplying missing facts from your experience.

Worked Example: From Evidence to a Defensible Conclusion

Reminder Trial

A clinic began sending appointment reminders by text in September. It also added a Saturday appointment block that month. The number of missed appointments fell from 74 in August to 49 in September.

Question. Which conclusion is supported?
Evidence. Two changes began in September, and missed appointments fell.
Reasoning. The selection shows an association between the month of the changes and a lower count. Because two changes occurred together, the selection does not isolate the effect of either one.
Conclusion. Missed appointments decreased after the clinic introduced text reminders and Saturday appointments; the information does not show which change produced the decrease.

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