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## PROFESSIONAL RESOURCES

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***Made to Stick: Why Some Ideas Survive and Others Die*** by Chip Heath and Dan Heath. (Random House, ©2007) Examines why some ideas struggle to attract public interest while other, less important, ideas circulate rapidly.

[302.13 HEA](#)

***The Only Grant-Writing Book You'll Ever Need*** by Ellen Karsh and Arlen Sue Fox. (Publishers Group West, ©2006) A comprehensive guide to writing grants that offers step-by-step instructions for every stage of the grant writing process and explains what grantmakers are really looking for when reading grant applications.

[658.152 KAR](#)

***Writing as Learning: A Content-Based Approach*** by Andrew Rothstein, Evelyn Rothstein, and Gerald Lauber. (Corwin Press, ©2007) Presents strategies for engaging students in writing about subject area content, including building a rich vocabulary, gaining a deeper understanding of concepts, making connections between ideas, and developing organized thinking processes. [372.623 ROT](#)

***Learning to Question, to Wonder, to Learn*** by Jamie McKenzie (FNO Press, ©2005) Presents a guide to practical classroom strategies for improving the questioning ability of young students, providing suggestions for encouraging them to explore, invent, and discover.

[370.152 MCK](#)

***The Kids Left Behind: Catching Up the Underachieving Children of Poverty*** by Robert D. Barr, and William H. Parrett. (Solution Tree, ©2007) Presents a comprehensive guide to reaching and teaching underachieving children of poverty that contains strategies for involving parents and the community, managing a standards-driven curriculum, time management, and assessment literacy. [371.826 BAR](#)

***Designing Everyday Assessment in the Science Classroom*** by J. Myron Atkin. (Teachers College Press, ©2005) Explains how middle school science teachers have addressed the challenges of classroom assessment and created new practices that enhance student learning.

[507.107 DES](#)

***Managing Curriculum and Assessment: A Practitioner's Guide*** by Beverly Nichols. (Linworth, ©2006) Presents step-by-step guidance for curriculum and assessment development and management, and provides sample documents on a CD-ROM.

[375.001 MAN](#)

***Making Meetings Work: How to Get Started, Get Going, and Get It Done*** by Ann M. Delephant. (Corwin Press, ©2007) Presents a guide, tools, strategies, tips, and ideas to plan and conduct productive meetings for principals, teacher leaders, staff developers, and trainers.

[658.456 DEL](#)

***Learner-Centered Classroom Practices and Assessments: Maximizing Student Motivation, Learning, and Achievement*** by Barbara L. McCombs and Lynda Miller. (Corwin Press, ©2007) Provides instructional strategies and assessment tools that emphasize learning partnerships between teachers and students as they rally support from parents, community, administrators, school staff, and other teachers.

[370.15 MCC](#)

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# Feature Videos & DVDs @ your library

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## [Answering Test Questions](#) - 1090-85

Schlessinger Media, 2005.

Summary: Explains how different types of test questions are written, including multiple choice, true/false, matching, and fill-in-the-blank, and describes strategies students can use to answer each kind.

1 DVD (23 min.) : sd., col. + 1 guide

Interest Grade Level: 7-12.

## [Effective Note-taking](#) - 1091-85

Schlessinger Media, 2005.

Summary: Describes a variety of note-taking methods, including the Cornell, outlining, mapping, sentence, and charting techniques, and discusses the importance of active listening in the note-taking process.

1 DVD (23 min.) : sd., col. + 1 guide

Interest Grade Level: 7-12.

## [How to Answer Test Questions](#) - 1087-85

Schlessinger Media, 2005.

Summary: Students discover and demonstrate thoughtful strategies for answering different types of test questions.

1 DVD (23 min.) : sd., col. + 1 guide

Interest Grade Level: 3-6.

## [Study Skills](#) - 1092-85

Schlessinger Media, 2005.

Summary: Discusses the cognitive elements of studying and identifies the most effective ways to prepare for tests, covering such topics as study space, organization, and concentration.

1 DVD (23 min.) : sd., col. + 1 guide

Interest Grade Level: 7-12

## [Taking Essay Tests](#) - 1093-85

Schlessinger Media, 2005.

Summary: Offers strategies for helping students become effective, confident test takers, focusing on essay tests, with descriptions of different types of essay questions, a look at action words, discussion of the components of a well-written essay, and preparation tips.

1 DVD (23 min.) : sd., col. + 1 guide

Interest Grade Level: 7-12.

## [Taking Math Tests](#) - 1094-85

Schlessinger Media, 2005.

Summary: Describes specific strategies for answering the different types of questions that appear on math tests, including logic, computational, data analysis, and word problems, and offers advice on how to prepare for a math test.

1 DVD (23 min.) : sd., col. + 1 guide

Interest Grade Level: 7-12.

## [Taking Tests in Different Subjects](#) - 1088-85

Schlessinger Media, 2005.

Summary: Offers subject-specific strategies and tips, including predicting and rereading for reading comprehension tests, estimating and organizing for math tests, and practicing and visualizing for spelling tests.

1 DVD (23 min.) : sd., col. + 1 guide

Interest Grade Level: 3-6.

## [Taking Reading Comprehension Tests](#) - 1095-85

Schlessinger Media, 2005.

Summary: Learn specific strategies for answering the literal, inferential, and analytical questions that populate reading comprehension tests.

1 DVD (23 min.) : sd., col. + 1 guide

Interest Grade Level: 7-12.

## [Test Anxiety](#) - 1096-85

Schlessinger Media, 2005.

Summary: Examines the causes of test anxiety, and describes strategies for dealing with the unpleasant symptoms.

1 DVD (23 min.) : sd., col. + 1 guide

Interest Grade Level: 7-12.

## [What are Tests?](#) - 1089-85

Schlessinger Media, 2005.

Summary: Provides practical strategies for helping students understand and take tests, and includes tips for dealing with stress and managing time.

1 DVD (23 min.) : sd., col. + 1 guide

Interest Grade Level: 3-6.