It is important to be effective while studying. This can eliminate wasted time studying without purpose or reason.

**Habit:** You seem to do poorly on multiple-choice, even after you feel prepared

**Solution:** *Avoid common mistakes*

1) *Preview*
   a. Mark the ones you are certain about. Come back to the ones you are questioning.

2) *Determine what the question is asking.*
   a. Once you have evaluated the goal, you can narrow down what the possible correct answers.

3) *Long answers.*
   a. Give special consideration to long options. It is typically correct because it contains all of the correct information.

4) *Numbers*
   a. The answer is less often the first or last option. Pick options “B” and “C” over “A” and “D” if you are unsure.

5) *No second guessing*
   a. Your gut response is typically correct. Do not change your response unless you are absolutely sure your first response was wrong.

6) *Verbal Associations*
   a. Look like response that repeat key words.

7) *Typos*
   a. If an answer has a typo, it’s probably incorrect. Why would the right answer be spelled wrong?

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