

Sixth Grade Science Study Tips

Science Text:

Available online www.pearsonsuccessnet.com

- *Reads the text to students
- *Links Key Terms to glossary and defines them with one click
- *Shows extra video clips to explain topic further
- *Links students to the PHSchool.com website for extension extra credit options
- *Asks students multiple-choice questions at the end of each section. Students should print these for extra credit after pressing the *Score My Test* button
- *Printable worksheets are available if students forget them at school.
- *Hint button on chapter review question links students to the page where the answer can be found.

Format

- *Red headings
- *Blue subheadings
- *Bolded Key Terms and Key Concepts
- *Text matches Guided Reading and Study worksheets almost word for word and provides page numbers where answers will be located.

Vocabulary Building:

Packets

- *Students match Key Terms from each section to their provided definition by using glossary.
- *Students highlight the key words within the definition.
- *Teacher makes connections to new vocabulary and gives strategies for remembering.
- *Packets also contain the Key Concepts for each section.

Flash Cards

- *Students should make and use flashcards with each new section of words.
- *Vocabulary should be practiced over time until mastered.

Test Preparation:

- *Students are given at least one week's notice prior to a test, but generally more. Students should **not** wait until the night prior to a test to begin their preparation. Vocabulary should be worked on as each section is introduced and reviewed often.
- *Tests consist of multiple-choice, fill in the blank, and short answer essay questions. Students are provided with a word bank and generally get to select the short answer essays from several options.
- *Mastery of Key Concepts and Key Terms from the typed study guide packet is vital for success.
- *PHSchool.com provides a practice test that previews the multiple-choice questions from the test bank. that I use to create the test. Students should take the test multiple times in preparation for the exam. The correct answer will appear and students need to make sure that they are learning the correct information. Questions will cycle so some will be repeated while others will be asked for the first time. The web-code appears on the first page of the chapter review in the textbook or can be accessed from the pearsonsuccessnet.com site.
- *Teacher plays review game with students for a class period prior to the test.
- *Students can come for extra help after school on Mon., Tues., or Wed. if arranged ahead of time.
- *Struggling students can request a study guide to fill out prior to taking a test that previews the test questions.

Other Important Information:

Assignments

- *Turning homework in on time is essential so that students don't get bogged down with make-up work.
- *The assignments are given to reinforce material and lessons build upon each other.
- *Points are deducted from late work and this also negatively affects the grade.
- *Assignments should be carefully done using textbook and the Key Terms and Key Concepts Packet.
- *Tutorial is available before school each day and after school Mon.-Wed.; teachers are happy to help.