

Revising Your Notes

Revisiting and updating your notes as you deepen your understanding of the content is a crucial step in the learning process. This review-and-revision process holds significant importance because forgetting starts happening right after you first learn something. Therefore, revising should happen as soon as possible after taking your initial notes.

How It Works:

Go back into your notes to pinpoint what's crucial—key ideas, terms, people, and more. The goal is to clarify existing information, transforming the notes into a valuable learning tool.

By relying on classmates or returning to the original source for clarification, you can ensure your notes are comprehensive, clear, and ready for the applying learning phase of note-taking.

Note revision can get a bit messy as you add, subtract, underline, color-code, cross out, or amend information. The visible changes in your notes serves as evidence of your engagement with their learning.

Key Strategies for Revising Notes:

1. Identifying and marking key terms or vocabulary words
2. Color-coding to indicate important people, events, places, or works
3. Crossing out extraneous or unimportant information
4. Adding information to fill in gaps, clarify, or elaborate
5. Indicating important information and points of confusion requiring clarification
6. Marking the most important ideas or main points
7. Representing information visually or symbolically for better recall
8. Annotating notes by paraphrasing large or wordy chunks of material

Here is a video that will help you process your notes:

Repetition, Repetition, Repetition: Take Note of What you Wrote
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i7O2fQjNITw&feature=youtu.be>