

# Study Skills

More than Note Taking

## Overview of Note Taking Types

Uncertain what style of note taking is right for you? The table below compares key aspects of each style to help decide what style may best suit your needs.

	<i>Uses</i>	<i>Benefits</i>	<i>Format</i>
<b>Sequential</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Traditional method</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Convenient for students</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Verbatim notes</li><li>• No indentation, full sentences</li></ul>
<b>Annotated</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Editing, summarizing, and students' reflections</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Helps define key ideas and relationships</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Left column: topics and summaries</li><li>• Right column: student reflections</li></ul>
<b>Mapping</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Helps with factual data</li><li>• Room for reorganization</li><li>• Encourages reflection</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Students discover more relationships</li><li>• Leads to higher-order thinking</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Key ideas within circles, with lines connecting related ideas</li></ul>
<b>Matrix</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Helps define key ideas and relationships</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Students discover more relationships</li><li>• Leads to higher-order thinking</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A table like this one</li></ul>



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