10 Tips for Taking the LSAT

The LSAT is looming. As one of the largest factors towards your law school admission, it can be pretty intimidating. But while it wil be a lot of hard work, it doesn't have to be scary. Use these tips to ace your LSATs.



Study like a Pro

Skip the Study Group

Because the test focuses on logic and reasoning, you might want to skip study groups and study on your own. A friend can help at first, but you need to tackle your own specific weaknesses and work them out yourself.

Do the Work

It's not enough to simply show up. To really learn, you have to do the work. Read through the lessons, but then make sure you're actually practicing the skills. Go back, and then go back again until you are confident.

Take Practice Tests

And keep taking them until you're consistently hitting your score goal. You shouldn't plan on getting a higher score on the day of the test than you do during practice. Make sure you're simulating a real testing environment during your practice test and keeping track of time.

Stay Sharp

Take Breaks

Go for a walk, read a magazine, or talk with a friend. Just get your mind relaxed! You'll come back to studying ready to learn.

Don't Sacrifice Sleep

You're not doing yourself any good if you stay up late to study. Your brain learns better when it's focused, not to mention that a good night's sleep helps you retain more information!

Find Motivation

Be positive, and find little ways to reward yourself. It will be so much easier to keep studying when you know there's a treat waiting for you when you're finished.

Avoid Alcohol

Drinking impairs your logic and reasoning, and that's exactly what you need the most right now. Save the drinks for the after LSAT party!

Arrive Prepared

Scope Out Your Test Location

Check out the test location before test time to get a feel for it.

Practice driving there and leave early. On test day don't waste precious energy worrying about traffic or arriving late.

Stay Calm

The LSAT is important, but it isn't the most important thing in your life. You'll have an opportunity to take it again if you don't love your score. Focus on breathing exercises, staying chill, and going with the flow on test day.

Eat Well

Don't eat a light meal. You're taking a test, not running a marathon. Have something filling that will get you through the day without upsetting your stomach. You know your body best.

