The Day of the Exam: 15 Tips to Boost your Exam Performance by <u>Andrea Leyden</u> (<u>https://www.examtime.com/blog/the-day-of-the-exam-15-tips-to-boost-your-performance-during-the-exam/</u>)

So you've come all the way (with the help of ExamTime!) and tomorrow is finally the moment of truth, the day of the exam. At this stage you have studied almost all that you can study to be 100% ready for the big day. You have been planning, revising and studying and so there is little more you can do, right? However hard you studied in the run up to exams, the most important work is yet to be done. Regardless of how much you have studied, it is possible that your exam performance may not reflect your hard work studying for hours on end. That is why we want to give you a few tips to maximise your performance on the day of the exam.

15 Tips for Succeeding on the Day of the Exam:

Exam Tip 1

Wake up early so that you do not need to rush through having breakfast and getting ready.

Exam Tip 2

Check the venue and time of the exam to make sure that you have not confused the day/time/venue.

Exam Tip 3

Have a balanced breakfast and eat nothing risky (probably not the best day to have a super-hot curry!). Bananas are always a good option.

Exam Tip 4

Before leaving home, check that you have everything that you will need - ID, stationery, map to the exam venue, etc.

Exam Tip 5

Head to the exam with plenty of time. A lot of unexpected events can happen on your way there and you do not want to be late!

Exam Tip 6

If there are people around who are panicking, avoid them. They are not doing you any favour!

Exam Tip 7

Go to the toilet before the exam starts. Exams can be quite long and there is no time to waste.

Exam Tip 8

Remember to write your name on the exam paper. You would not believe how many people have forgotten to do it!

Exam Tip 9

Read all the questions carefully before starting and quickly plan how much time to allocate to each.

Exam Tip 10

Start answering the questions that you feel most confident about. There is no need to answer the questions in order.

Exam Tip 11

If your brain freezes, just start writing anything and you will soon start remembering more details.

Exam Tip 12

Don't spend more time than you planned on a particular section/question or you might run out of time to answer other questions and gain those extra marks! Also, leave any questions that you are unsure about for the end.

Exam Tip 13

Don't be afraid to ask the examiner if you are not clear on a question.

Exam Tip 14

Use every minute of the exam and if you have time left, review your answers before handing back the paper.

Exam Tip 15

Stay calm, you have done your homework and have nothing to fear!