

# Elaborative Interrogation Technique

The Elaborative Interrogation Technique is a method to improve comprehension and promote deeper learning. It involves asking and answering detailed questions about the material studied to enhance understanding and retention.

## Step 1: **Content Review**

Begin by thoroughly reviewing the material that you aim to understand deeply. Pay close attention to the main concepts and supporting details.

## Step 2: **Question Formulation**

Create probing questions based on the content reviewed. Questions should explore why certain facts are true, the reasons behind the concepts, and the connections between different pieces of information.

## Step 3: **Research Answers**

Investigate the answers to each question. This may involve going beyond the initial material and consulting additional sources for a more in-depth understanding.

## Step 4: **Answer Questions**

Attempt to answer the questions in your own words. If you struggle to provide a clear answer, that may indicate an area where you need to improve your understanding.

## Step 5: **Review & Reflect**

Review the answers and reflect on the new insights gained. Make connections to the original material and revise your understanding where necessary.

## Step 6: **Repeat Process**

Repeat the process with new questions that emerge from increased understanding or as you progress further into the material.

# General Notes

## **Active Engagement**

Elaborative interrogation is effective because it requires active engagement with the material, which is crucial for deep learning.

## **Application**

Try to apply the information learned in real-world contexts or hypothetical scenarios to solidify your understanding.

## **Group Study**

Consider using this technique in a study group where peers can challenge each other's understanding by posing additional questions.

