

Key Concept - Note-taking skills for purpose of research paper

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## Assignment for History of Caesar

Shakespeare based much of the information of his tragedy Julius Caesar on the historical account of Caesar's life as documented by Plutarch, who was an ancient writer and historian. This handout is a translation of his writings that Shakespeare used.

I want you to read this handout and take notes the following **GUIDING QUESTIONS**:

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- What is important to know about Caesar's Rise to Power?
- What was the conspiracy against Caesar and how was he murdered?
- Who is Cassius and why is he important?
- Who is Brutus and why is he important?

critical to play

**What's the purpose of note taking?**

The purpose of note-taking is simple: to help you study better and more quickly. This means your notes don't have to contain *everything*, they have to contain the most important things OR the main ideas. And if you're focused on capturing everything, you won't be able to recognize what's truly important.

Mistakes. write to much

**What's the purpose of guiding questions?**

- Guiding questions will "guide" your notes.
- They will help you focus on ~~what~~ the main ideas and important ~~things~~ details.
- When you read you have to ask - does this answer one of the guiding questions?
- If it the answer is yes - then you should write it down.

do it well so you don't

don't write enough.

have to go back to re-read

Make the connection- guiding questions are necessary to focus your reading and notes. This is a skill that we will use next semester for our research paper.

I am giving you the questions as a model- in the research unit you will have to create your own guiding questions to guide your note taking and research.

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Guiding Question 3 Who is Cassius and why is he important

- Caesar doesn't trust him
- He helps Brutus

Guiding Question 4 Who is Brutus and why is he important

- He had a piston like a judge
- Caesar trust Brutus and gave him his position

Students could develop  
2 of the main pts./questions