# SUCCESSFUL STUDY HABITS

#### **OUTLINE**

# PART ONE. PREPARING THE GROUND — ORGANIZATION

### I. HIGHER GRADES OVERNIGHT, HOW GOOD ARE YOUR STUDY HABITS TODAY?

- A. This lecture will give you there all-important gifts: Abe deleted former title and this sub-title
- B. The three simple building blocks of success
- C. What you read means nothing; it's what you can put to use that counts
- D. The five-minute achievement check on your daily work
- E. Praise: the most powerful weapon you have to encourage top grades

In summary:

# II. GET TWICE AS MUCH DONE THROUGH ORGANIZATION: HOW TO GET TWICE AS MUCH DONE IN HALF THE TIME

- A. What is organization?
- B. No more crises. No more fear
- C. Tips that double the value of each study hour

In summary:

# PART TWO. DIGGING OUT THE FACTS-READING

#### I. HOW TO BECOME A MASTER READER

- A. In three easy steps
- B. Good reading is far more than merely recognizing words
- C. Good reading is a search. A search for big ideas

In summary:

# II. HOW TO PRE-READ A BOOK — UNDERSTAND IT BEFORE YOU READ IT

- A. Just look at the difference these few questions make.
- B. Signpost parts of every book. And what each one tells you
  - 1. The title
  - 2. The table of contents
  - 3. The index
  - 4. The introduction, or preface, or foreword

In summary:

# **III. SIGNPOST PARTS OF EVERY CHAPTER**

- A. The chapter title
- B. The section headings
- C. Paragraph heads or bold prints
- D. Introductory paragraphs

- E. The summary or closing paragraphs
- F. The first sentence of each paragraph
- G. Illustrations
- H. Marginal titles
- I. Reading the text by evaluating sentences

In summary:

# **IV. SPEED READING**

- A. Turning signposts into questions
- B. The six basic questions
- C. How to double your reading rate
- D. How to flash-read
- E. The magic key to concentration

In summary:

# PART THREE. PLANTING CONCEPTS—NOTE-TAKING

# **HOW TO TAKE NOTES**

- A. How to remember what you've read and put it to immediate use
- B. Your notebook
- C. How you write up each lesson in your notebook
- D. Tips on improving your outlines
  - 1. Simplify
  - 2. Fit the ideas together properly
  - 3. What are the kinds of order you can use to make one idea fit in with another?
    - a. Parts of something
    - b. Time order
    - c. Step-by-step sequence
    - d. Causes of something
    - e. Effects of something
    - f. Arrangement by space
  - 4. Use numbers
  - 5. Indent
- E. How you use your notes
- F. The next seminar

In summary

# PRACTICAL ASSIGNMENT