



Welcome to this Winter 2011 edition of the Nontrad News.

Nontraditional students are going back to school after a break. They are going for their dreams. Go, Nontrads!

Finals are coming... are you ready?

I looked up Western Kentucky University's calendar to find out where we were in the semester. Their finals are December 12th - 16th, 2011. That is soon!

So I thought I would send this December Nontrad News to help all my wonderful readers to go their very best on finals.

Help for Finals.



Now is crunch time. Use these Nontraditional Student blog suggestions to help you study smarter and do GREAT on your upcoming exams.

- A. [Get Organized for Finals](#)
- B. [Clobber your Test Anxiety!](#)
- B. [10 Study Tips for Nontraditional Students](#)
- C. [Study Skills Links](#)
- D. (relisting - this is such a great site...) The [Joe Landsberger Study Guides and Strategies site](#)

Working on Projects?

When I was back in school as a nontraditional student, I had huge projects, folders, and assignments due at the end of the school semester. If you have not started on these (and I know many of you are super-organized and have already completed them), consider trying to complete these projects early.

This will actually help you, because sometimes I used to forget one or more parts of my assignments. Having an extra week or so can really help.

BACKUP, BACKUP, BACKUP. I overheard one or more students in the WKU library saying "Oh no! I lost my final report!" They had not made a backup of their work, and they were frantically trying to start from scratch and get their work done on time. Don't put yourself through this. Instead, make a backup or even two of everything you are working on. It's worth the time, and excellent for your peace of mind.

Use the Cloud, an online service, a thumb drive, a writeable disk. But keep a copy safe, just in case.

More resources for Nontraditional Students

Here are more great sites to use during Finals time.

- #1. [Son of Citation Machine](#) - I am including this site again for people writing final papers. It helps you do credits or citations on papers.
- #2. [Teaching Yourself to Learn: Tackling Tests - Final Exams - from MIT.](#)
- #3. [Beat final exam panic](#) - from Washington State University.

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Come visit, and stay awhile. See you online! :-)

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