

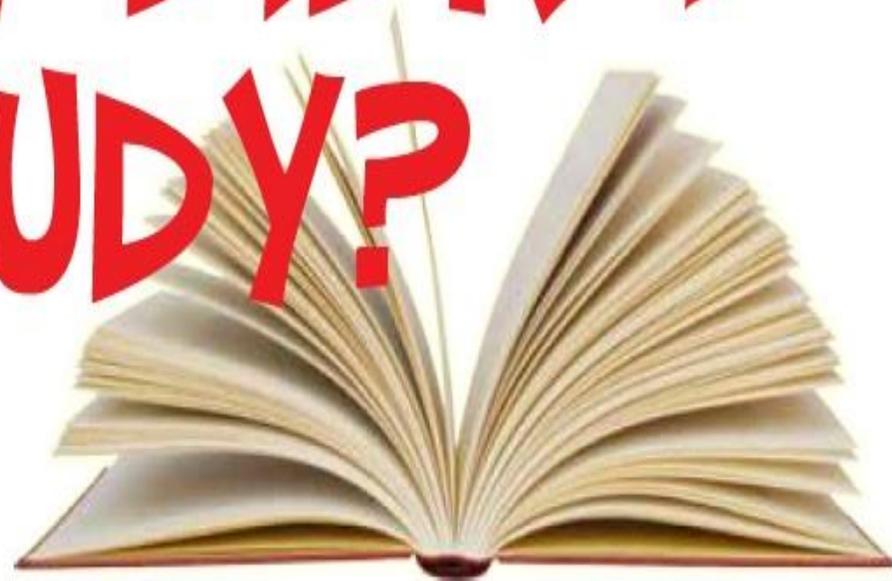
Why Didn't I study?

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**WHY DIDN'T
I STUDY?**



**“It doesn’t
matter how
slow you
move, as
long as you
don’t stop.”**

- ▶ From “there’s much time still remaining” to “I have to drop any two papers now,” is the typical journey of a CA finalist these days.
- ▶ Yet very few of us try to understand the mechanics of such failures.

FOCUS

First of all, you need focus.
Focus can drive your body even
“physically” to your goal.

You have to keep your mind
thinking about study all the
time, whether you’re studying
at that moment or not.

PRIORITISE

Many of the friends with whom I studied in a group failed and I won't say unfortunately because they had different priorities even a month before exams best friends, cell phones and chats, etc.

Preferences may have a deeper impact in some or all aspects of your life.

So you must prioritise wisely.
Similarly, prioritise the topics by their significance in terms of toughness and exam frequency and please, prioritising doesn't mean to decide what to be left untouched.

DISCIPLINE

One of my friend cleared Introduction to Economics in his fifth attempt. He would never believe me but one could find the answer in his college bag. The way he used to carry his notes and books was just awful. If you asked him to take out a particular chapter, he would take about five minutes every time.

So how does this relate to performance in exams? It is crucial if one cannot relate his memorized contents to the multi-topic based exam questions in those nerve wrecking three hours and 15 minutes. It is only possible if you stay organised and maintain discipline in your mind.

“There is nothing as obedient as a disciplined mind and there is nothing as disobedient as an undisciplined mind.”-
Buddha

BIRD EYE VIEW

Students often, when passionate about studies, start to learn important concepts or chapters in sequence straight away, not realising the pattern and structure of the course and that particular topic's relation to other topics. They should revisit the outline and check consistently the relevance and connection of a particular topic to other topics.

It strengthens mind mapping and makes it easy to remember. A tree diagram with various colors is a good way to do it.

CHUNKING

It is tougher to think about building a wall as compared to placing a brick in the best possible position. The human mind feels comfortable when things are divided into different classes or categories or broken down in chunks. For example, think which of these numbers is hard to memorise and why?
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MNEMONICS

When important things are in a list form or contains headings, it is the best to use Mnemonics. Like to remember a list of Effectiveness, Accessibility, Reduction, Accuracy can be memorised by A.R.E.A.

But one has to be really careful while preparing those terms otherwise he/she will end up with numerous mnemonics but not remembering what they actually stood for.

TO TEACH IS TO LEARN

Memorising is done best when calling out a concept loud. Combined studies are a great way to do that. Participate in studying and trying to explain complex concepts to your friends and don't worry if at times your friends correct you because that's what good friends are for.

KEEP MOVING SLOWLY

Moving is going to take you to the goal. And believe me, moving slower is what multiplies the efficiency. Students are often reluctant to start, not considering the fact that “you don’t have to be great to start, but you have to start to be great.”

Almost everyone agrees that moving is crucial in almost every circle of life but times come when the mind tells you that you're not going fast enough. But don't let that thought overcome your actions and remember: "It doesn't matter how slow you move, as long as you don't stop."

MOTIVATION

Some might laugh when it comes to motivational seminars or talks or small videos but little do they know, motivation is the fuel that is needed to light up your desire. There are times that you are hit very hard and some refuse to get up while some say “game isn’t over if I have not won it yet.” So what keeps them moving? Winston Churchill said, “Even if you’re going through hell, keep going!”

Get a lonely place, sit comfortable and ask yourself what can fuel you? Money, fame, cars, status, visiting cards or perhaps your family. Also keep in mind that you have to revisit and refresh your motivational aspects, which might keep on changing through time. As Zig Ziglar said, “Bathing and motivation doesn’t last long. That’s why we recommend it daily.”

Whatever qualification you are pursuing, hard times might hit you and may bring your mind to a state where you have just had enough. And whenever you feel like quitting, just think about why you started.

Remember, everyone is unique in his own way. No principle or technique can be applied to all individuals equally. Keeping in mind these techniques, stay fresh and open to adjusting yourself to what suits you best. Create a rigorous work ethic and remember: “Hard work beats talent, when talent doesn’t work hard.” And whenever you feel that your job is difficult, think if it were easy, everybody would do it.

Good luck.

Thank
You!