

## Is procrastination good for me?

“Most students make the mistake of studying from test to test rather than from class to class. In doing so, they fall victim to a student’s greatest enemy – procrastination. Procrastination is an attitude that says, ‘Do it later!’ This approach rarely works in any course, but especially not in math, science and engineering courses, in which each new concept builds on the previous ones.

If you are a procrastinator, you are ignoring the sequential nature of engineering study, as well as your own inability to absorb complex information all at once. So you can’t realistically expect to succeed if you delay your studying until a test is imminent.” *Studying Engineering*, Raymond Landis.



Standard	Students' justification
Clear	Is procrastination good for me? Not clear because does not give an example. Yes, you can't expect to succeed with procrastination and provides illustration as well as example. Identifies what is problem and provides example. Not clear enough.
Accurate	“Do it later” statement (defines procrastination) Accurate because it does not generalize, uses neither wishful or protective thinking. Yes, because there are no generalizations. No. We think that the statement is true. Accurate.
Relevant	The approach that rarely works. The last sentence of the first paragraph is irrelevant. It relates to students and does not make conclusion from other off topic subjects. Yes, it talks about procrastination throughout writing.
Sufficient	Not sufficient because no specific examples or data. Thoroughly explains account of all different aspects of procrastination. Yes, explains why procrastination is bad. Not sufficient.
Deep & Broad	You are ignoring the sequential nature of engineering study. You can realistically expect to succeed if you delay your studying until the last moment. Gives explanation and example. Gives different views on people, view of procrastination as well as how people view themselves when procrastinate. Yes, goes into details. Broad: no, stays on one subject.
Precise	Your own inability to absorb complex information at once. Gives consequences. No, no graphs or numerical values. Some statements are precise but not the entire document.