

## Worksheet 2: My Family Testing Advantages in re

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Here you will find test questions that you are more likely to know something about because you are part of a family that knows things and tells stories like this. Look at Sam Cota's Worksheets to see examples of how this works.

**1) What is a short story from Worksheet One?**

**2) Pick one fact from this story.**

**3) Choose a single word or term that is important to the story.**

**4) Go to a test-question bank<sup>1</sup> site <sup>2</sup> and look it up. Try answering any questions that you find.<sup>3</sup>**

**5) Interconnected terms will come up as you search. Add them to your (re)collection.**

***Keep track of your studies. Do so in any way you wish, but do it. You'll be glad.***

**6) Keep going until you are done, or want to change it up, or can't find anything else. Then, go to another Worksheet 2. Do not rinse. Repeat.**

Some words yield a little, some a lot. Play around with versions of the word. If you don't find any questions to words you choose, you can experiment with any other stories that are familiar to you from your own life and times. As you get more familiar with the databanks, you will start to see the types of words that yield lots of questions. Enjoy the hunt for more things you know, never knew you wanted to know, need to know, and now can find out.

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<sup>1</sup> Go to "If You Want to Go Straight to the Tests" in "By Way of Introduction"

<sup>2</sup> The questions below are from a Massachusetts (MCAS) Test Bank that is a few years old (<http://www.doe.mass.edu/mcas/search/>). When these were used, Wheelock College had permission from Superintendent David Driscoll as secured to Dean Donna McKibbens for use in teacher testing preparation. This arrangement is now likely moot, and copyright is, as it was then, to © Copyright 1998 - 2015 Pearson Education, Inc. or its affiliate(s). All rights reserved Now many of these are collected on the [MCAS Resource Center](#). Any of these questions are illustrative of what the search term "building" will bring up on multiple tests across the land.

<sup>3</sup> Unlike 'sample test' items, some or all "released items" are available after students have taken that season's tests, making this a goldmine for those preparing for them. All sites have answers, best found on the searchable sites. In this worksheet are most of the MCAS released items over the whole course of this particular timeframe. They were searched in terms of seasons, grade-levels, and topics. (Questions below are usually given in rough relationship to grade level, but don't get hung-up there as all age-levels are useful as you build or rebuild your knowledge.)