

## Cornell Note Taking Format

Subject:

Date:

Main Ideas/Questions	Notes/Details
What are Cornell Notes used for?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can be used to take notes from the text or as they are given by the instructor.</li> <li>• Can provide an outline for the lecture for students to fill in.</li> <li>• Can be a place to record movie notes or group discussions.</li> <li>• Can identify the concept or term in the left margin based on its definition in the notes section.</li> <li>• Can organize main ideas and sub-topics.</li> </ul>
How do students set up Cornell notes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set up page with a margin and summary section.</li> <li>• Write topic, date, and information in notes section.</li> <li>• Improve notes and left margin information by coloring or highlighting.</li> </ul>
How are Cornell Notes used as a study tool?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After class, students formulate questions in the margin that corresponds to information found in the notes section.</li> <li>• Students write a summary of what they learned to clarify and reinforce learning and to assist retention.</li> <li>• Students review notes by covering notes column and answering questions in question column from memory.</li> <li>• Can be used to get a quick overview and to determine whether students need more information or need to concentrate their study on specific topics.</li> </ul>
What else can be in the left margin or notes section?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diagrams, pictures, activities, problems, and concept map reviews.</li> </ul>
<p>Summary:</p> <p>Cornell notes provide a way for students to record important information and reflect on that information multiple times. By writing questions, summarizing, coloring and highlighting, and reviewing the notes after class, students revisit key concepts several ways to better understand and internalize new material.</p>	