

# 16 tricks to learn super fast



- 1. Start with a goal** Define what you want to achieve and then select your path.
- 2. Continue with a test** Find out what you already know. It'll refresh your knowledge and you'll know exactly where do you stand. It's great, no? :)
- 3. Test yourself often** Don't fall into the 'I remember it all' trap. Do tests often and fill the gaps regularly. Like this, you'll build a rock-solid knowledge super fast.
- 4. First the big picture, then connecting the dots** Skim read the headings, check the pictures. Before diving into reading a new material create a structure of the content in your mind. You prepare a map and then you fill it with the details.
- 5. Make a strong pattern** Use the same examples to learn a skill and different ones when learning to use the skill in practice.
- 6. Practice memory retrieval** This is your most powerful tool. Try to retrieve everything you learned. When you have a moment, every now and then and before learning something new.
- 7. Review before going to bed** Try to remember everything you learned that day and then fill in the gaps - read what you missed.
- 8. Choose the best resources to learn** Today there is endless amount of various courses and tutorials. Choose the ones which bring you to your goal most effectively.
- 9. Make the learning fun** Combine different methods (courses, projects, books, games) and find a learning buddy. Work on projects you care for.
- 10. Work on little projects as soon as you can** Bringing your ideas to life is not only very fulfilling but it's when you learn the most.
- 11. Take notes** It really helps. I swear. Take notes on the paper when you learn, synthesize them to a coherent material when you review.
- 12. Use your time wisely** Watch videos at 1.5-2x speed, slower it when you need more time to process some piece of information. Don't lose time listening to things you already know.
- 13. Focus and do one thing at a time** In learning, multitasking is a killer.
- 14. Make a dedicated time for your learning projects** Leave everything to be as it is, eat if you need and let the dishes, the laundry, toys and food on the ground where they are and use your time alone to focus on your learning.
- 15. Last but not least** Make a commitment and become socially accountable. Book a course, tell your friends, post what you learn on Twitter or Facebook.
- 16. ...and Keep Going** It's okay to doubt sometimes. Totally normal. Just be smart and be prepared. Make a list of things you learned and created on your journey. You can do it. I know it.