

# Note-taking

**Task:** Discuss the questions below with your partner:

What is the purpose of taking notes?

What are some note-taking strategies?

## Tips for Note-taking

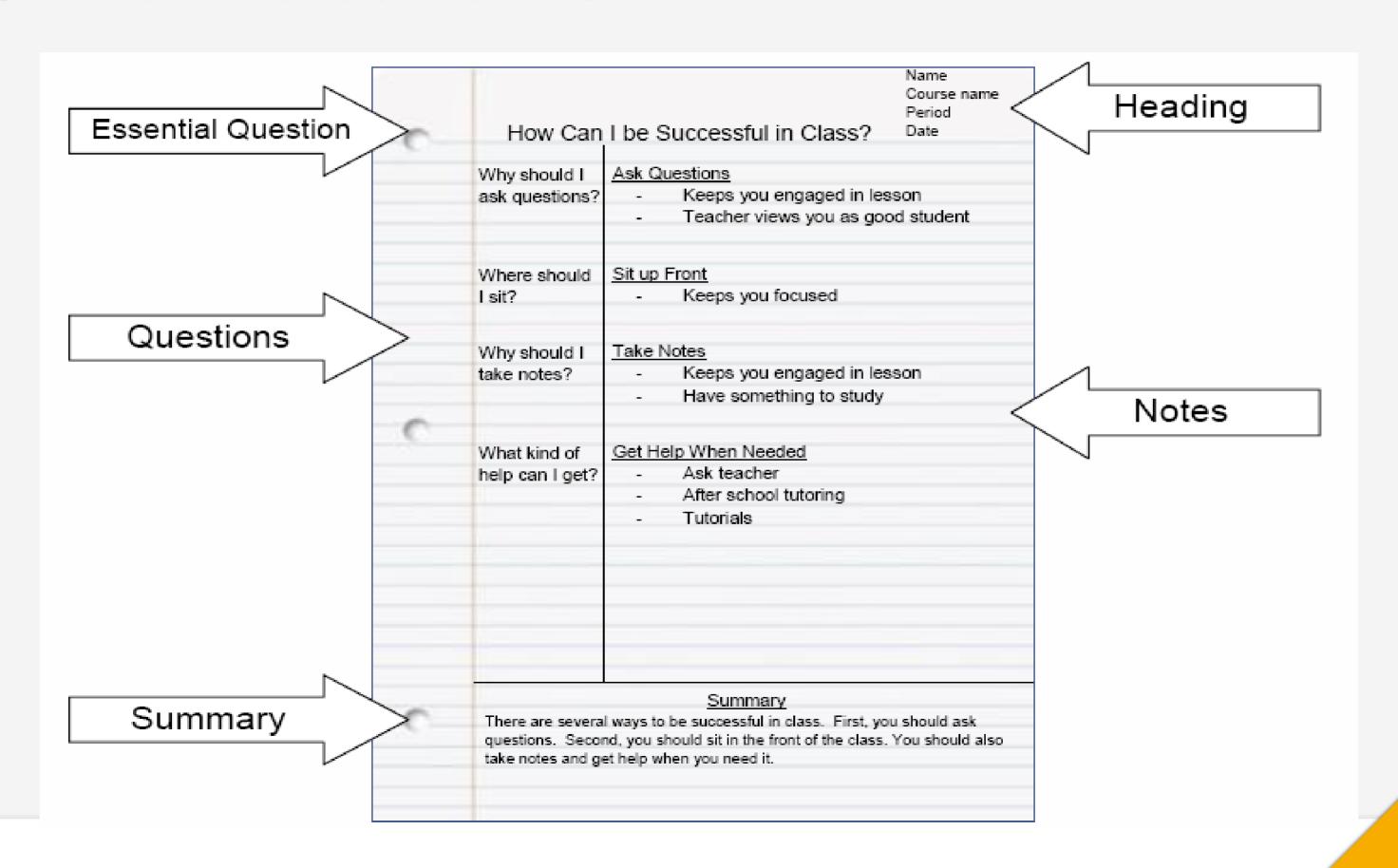
#### A. Make your notes brief.

- 1. Never use a sentence where you can use a phrase. Never use a phrase where you can use a word.
- 2.Use abbreviations and symbols, but be consistent.
- B. Put most notes in your own words. However, the following should be noted exactly:
- 1.Formulas
- 2. Definitions
- 3. Specific facts

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- C. Use outline form and/or a numbering system. Indention helps you distinguish major from minor points.
- D. If you miss a statement, write key words, skip a few spaces, and get the information later.
- E. Don't try to use every space on the page. Leave room for coordinating your notes with the text after the lecture. (You may want to list key terms in the margin or make a summary of the contents of the page.)
- F. Date your notes. Perhaps number the pages.

### What Cornell Notes Looks Like





### **Practice Time**

**Task:** Your teacher will provide you with a text so that you can practice taking Cornell Notes.

Remember: Use your reading strategies to help you with this task.