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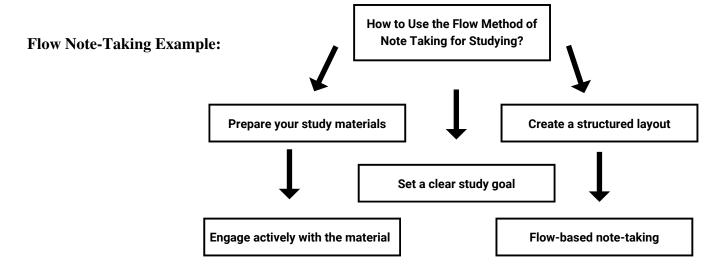
The Flow Method is a visual and flexible approach that helps you understand how ideas connect on a deeper level. Instead of focusing on linear note-taking, this method emphasizes relationships between concepts and encourages active engagement with the material.

#### Why Use the Flow Method?

- Helps you understand interrelationships between concepts at a higher level.
- Focuses on major ideas and how they connect.
- Encourages active learning and critical thinking.
- Great for reviewing notes and reinforcing long-term understanding.
- Uses arrows, lines, and visuals to show how ideas relate.

# **How to Use the Flow Note-Taking Method**

- Write major ideas using short phrases or keywords, leaving plenty of space.
- Draw connections between ideas using arrows, lines, and shapes.
- Add new ideas as they come to you while reviewing or listening.
- Incorporate quick sketches, diagrams, or symbols to visualize concepts.
- Allow your notes to "flow" across the page rather than sticking to a strict outline.





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