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Before taking a test on Townsend I would go over the power point for each chapter. I made sure I understood the chapter before taking the test. Some test were challenging even though I went over the power points. But going over the power points and understanding the material refreshed my mind about things that I have learned in the past. Refreshing my memory of the material helped me with the read aloud project. I had to teach my sister about the main idea, supporting details, and it made the process easier for me.

I have made notes for transitions words on chapter 6 for future reference. In the future if I need to type an essay looking back at the notes for chapter 6 will help me use transitions words correctly. I also made notes for chapter 10 on detecting propaganda; if I ever have to refer to them again. A new thing I did learn about vocabulary is that you do not need a dictionary; the answer is in the sentence. By reading and understanding the sentence it tells you what the meaning of the word is. For example, "lack of sleep can *impair* driving as much as alcohol. In fact, many accidents are caused by drivers who fall asleep at the wheel." Impair means to weaken. The clue is the word alcohol; the sentence is trying to tell you that lack of sleep can weaken your driving ability, just like alcohol. Studying my vocabulary notes cards before taking the tests on Townsend were of much help as well. Overall most of it was review and I hope that I am now prepared to succeed in CRE 101.