Mental Exercise

Quizlet: After choosing a flashcard set or creating a new set, students have the option of four study styles, along with two varieties of flashcard games that strive to bring an entertainment factor to studying.

Study Blue: An online flash card application that provides tools to create your flash cards and easily study with them.

Mind42: Mind mapping is about collecting ideas in a graphical way. Ideas get arranged in a tree or star like diagram to visualize connections between different topics.

Simplemind+: Allows you to create mind maps, collect your ideas in one place and improve your brainstorm productivity. Instead of mundane text versions, the mind maps allow you to visualize and connect your thoughts, plus you can hyperlink, share and export them as needed.

Organization & Focus

iStudiez Pro: The digital hub for a student's academic life. students can include course schedules, plan study sessions, and prioritize assignments based on importance, among other uses. The app can also track grades and GPA, helping students keep tabs on their academic progress.

iProcrastinate: Organize to-do lists and tasks by listing the steps it will take to complete them. Set priority levels for each task, and break them down into parts— making projects more manageable. For group projects, task lists can be shared and managed by multiple users.

Outliner: Students can organize notes, tasks, and projects, and create and edit outlines with Outliner. Students can easily share their outlines, task lists, and projects from any computer or Web-enabled device.

Focus at will: This app combines neuroscience and music to boost your productivity. Ideal for those who find it difficult to focus while studying, working or reading.

Husher: Keeps your phone silent when it should be, during single, scheduled or calendar event. Preferences including settings for calendar sync, filtering, vibration, notifications etc.

Brainwave Sharp Mind: Induces optimized mental states ideal for school, exam preparation, confidence, problem solving, memory, creativity,

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Essential Tools for Studying, Time Management, Organization, and Focusing

Time Management

RescueTime: This gives you an accurate picture of how you spend your time to help you become more productive every day.

Study Buddy: Improve your study habits by keeping track of your study time versus distraction time, get efficiency reports, plus use timers and warnings to get you back on track from those breaks that just linger.

Nozbe: Organizes your tasks according to the location where you'd perform them—whether it's home, office, online, etc. It also has a team-oriented tasks option, like group message boards.

StayFocusd: This Chrome extension blocks your biggest time-wasting sites. It works like a timer, and asks you to set the maximum time you want to waste on your customized time-killer sites before they're blocked.
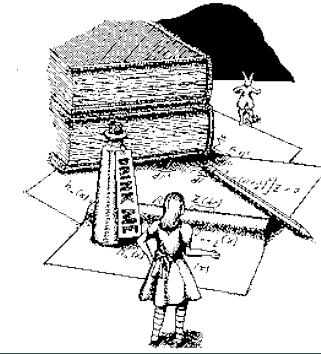
Essential Tools for Studying

Dropbox: A free file hosting service that allows users to share and access photos, documents and videos anywhere

instaGrok: An innovative educational search engine that combines sophisticated semantic technology with an interactive user interface to make learning more engaging, personalized and fun for everyone.

JotNot Pro: Processes pictures of documents, receipts, whiteboards, blackboards, and handwritten notes, making them easier to read, print, and share with others.

PDF Annotater: PDF annotators should allow users to underline, highlight, or strikethrough text, add a note, and write on the PDF (preferably via both keyboard text and handwriting). **

OCR Software: Turn scans of paper documents, PDF files, and digital photographs into searchable and editable formats. ++

Evernote: productivity tool that allows you to capture all your ideas, thoughts and images in many different ways, eg with voice, notes or images.

High Speed Scanner: optically scans images, printed text, handwriting, or an object, and converts it to a digital image. ***

Zotero: Whether you need to create footnotes, endnotes, in-text citations, or bibliographies, this will do all the dirty work for you, leaving you free to focus on your writing. It also collects all your research in a single, searchable interface. You can add PDFs, images, audio and video files, snapshots of web pages, and really anything else.

AudioNote: Combines the functionality of note-taking and voice recording apps to create a powerful tool that will save you time while improving the quality of your notes. By synchronizing notes and audio, it automatically indexes your meetings, lectures, classes, interviews—you name it.

Purdue OWL: The OWL offers over 200 free resources on grammar, punctuation & other mechanics of writing, style guides, help for writer's block and more.

App availability varies across platforms.

** A variety of products exist in this category

++ JHU provides SensusAccess and Kurzweil

*** JHU provides scanners across campus