

MNEMONIC DEVICES

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ACRONYMS

Acronyms are words made by taking the first letters of a series of words and making one “funny” word or phrase. For example: ROY G. BIV means red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, violet (the colors of visible light spectrum).

ACROSTICS

Acrostics are sentences made by words that begin with the first letter of a series of words. For example: Every Good Boy Does Fine means E, G, B, D, F (the notes found on the treble clef).

RHYMES AND SONGS

A song or a jingle can help in remembering basic facts. For example: Thirty days hath September, April, June, and November. All the rest have 31 except February which has 28 till leap year gives it 29.

LOCI SYSTEM

Loci system is used to make a visual picture of the items or facts needed to memorize and link them with familiar locations. For example: Remember the presidents of the United States by visualizing George Washington chopping down a cherry tree in your front yard, James Madison madly knocking at the front door, etc.

PEG SYSTEM

Peg system is used to link key words and numbers together by using the following:

One	↔	Bun	For example: number of inches in a foot by visualizing one bun and one shoe, or when Columbus discovered America by visualizing one bun, one door, one wine, and one shoe
Two	↔	Shoe	
Three	↔	Tree	
Four	↔	Door	
Five	↔	Hive	
Six	↔	Sticks	
Seven	↔	Heaven	
Eight	↔	Gate	
Nine	↔	Wine	