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Opportunities to Respond: Guided Notes

Guided notes are a method for organizing curriculum content and providing students with a means of actively participating during a lecture. Guided notes are teacher-prepared handouts that provide an outline of the lecture, which students complete during class by writing key facts, concepts, and/or relationships. Advantages to consider include the following:

- Results in improved retention of course content
- Increases active responding and interaction with lesson content by students
- Allows students to self-monitor their understanding of material by highlighting the key concepts, facts, and relationships; as a result, students are more likely to ask the teacher for clarification of key points
- Provides a standard set of accurate notes for later student study
- Helps teacher prepare better lessons that consider key areas for students comprehension

EXAMPLE

Directions: **Read pages 4- 5 and complete these Guided Notes.**
Ardagh, P. (2002). *World Book: African Myths & Legends*. Chicago, IL: World Book Publishers.

1. The three main African groups who still hold on to their ancient beliefs are the _____ of Ghana, the _____ of Benin, and the _____ of Nigeria.
2. Some experts believe that there are over _____ African myths and legends.
3. Throughout Africa, many people believed that the _____ and _____ were home to _____ and _____.
4. In a continent where _____ are still scarce and much of the land is _____, the forest and bush could provide both _____ and _____.
5. _____ are an important part of African myths, legends, and _____.
6. Some of the most common animal _____ involve a "_____."
7. The _____ animal lives by its _____ and fools its _____.
8. It is usually a hare, _____, _____, or tortoise.
9. Many African _____ and legends, those involving _____ animals traveled to the _____ and across North _____.
10. This happened because of the _____ trade.