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# Pookie's TRIED 'N' TRUE STUDY HINTS

It's **ESSAY** time! ☕ Follow Pookie's hints and maybe --maybe-- you'll live to see X-mas.

**1** Set aside a full day as a study day. On that day, sleep in until 11:45 a.m. Next, sit down in front of the T.V. and snarf Lucky Charms® cereal until you slip into a hyperglycemic trance. Toy listlessly with marshmallow bits until 8:00 p.m. **2** Waddle to the library. Upon arrival, discover that you left your study snacks at home. Return home at once. Sit down in front of the T.V. Eat study snacks and watch T.V. til 1:00 a.m.

REPEAT ABOVE UNTIL THE DAY IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING ASSIGNMENT DUE DATE

**THE DAY BEFORE:**  
Wake up in the grip of a paralyzing anxiety attack. Tell yourself over and over that you'll never get the paper done by tomorrow until your head starts pounding and your vision blurs. Run disjointedly to the library, where you'll discover the books you need have been missing since September.



Return home. Put your pajamas on and enjoy a good 8-hr. crying jag. Next, pour yourself a mug of gin. Light a candle and sit in the gloom of a dark winter day. Write bleak, despairing poems. (Example: "slashed to pieces/sliced to shreds/the apple fell/apart, bite size pieces, /for the pie, she was/baking.") Last, cry yourself to sleep.



**THE FAR SIDE**

By GARY LARSON



"Step back, Loretta! ... It's a red-hot poker!"



by Bill Watterson

Calvin and Hobbes

