Analyzing Returned Tests

Name:

Class:

Date of test:

Directions:

1. List the number for each test question you missed.
2. Place a check in the column that best describes the reason you answered the question incorrectly.
3. Total the number of checks in each column to determine what factors most affected your test performance.
4. Review possible solutions for test errors on the reverse side of this form.

	Insufficient information								Test anxiety				Careless mistakes						Lack of test wisdom							
Test item missed	I did not read the text book thoroughly.	The information was not in my notes	I studied the information but could not remember it	I knew main ideas but needed details.	I knew the information but could not apply it.	I studied the wrong information.	Missed or did not understand vocabulary or terms	Answer did not match the essay directive/key word.	I experienced mental block	I was tired during the test and could not concentrate.	I was hungry during the test and could not concentrate	I panicked.	I made careless mistakes; I knew the correct answer.	I changed a correct answer to a wrong one.	I misread the directions.	I misread or misunderstood the question.	I wrote an incomplete response.	I did not notice a double negative statement.	I did not elminate obviously incorrect choices.	I did not choose the best answer choice.	I did not notice limiting words.	I made poor use of the time provided for the test.		Other		
Number of items missed																										

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