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Question Review Strategy Guide

A practical framework for getting more learning value from every question.

Before Answering

- Identify what the question is testing.
- Read the lead-in carefully.
- Identify the most important clinical clues.
- Separate relevant information from distractors.

During the Question

- Build a one-line problem representation.
- Identify age, key symptoms, time course, and major findings.
- Determine the most likely diagnosis or clinical problem.
- For management questions, determine stability and severity first.
- Compare answer choices on the same clinical dimension.

After Answering

- Do not stop at right or wrong.
- Read the explanation and identify the teaching point.
- For an incorrect answer, identify the failed reasoning step.
- For a correct answer, explain why major distractors are wrong.
- Record high-yield concepts you repeatedly miss.

The 3-Step Review

1. **Diagnosis:** What is happening to the patient?
2. **Reasoning:** Which clues establish the diagnosis or next step?
3. **Action:** What should you do next, and why?

Use Questions as Learning Tools

- Prioritize understanding over memorizing answer letters.
- Return to missed concepts after the question set.

- Look for patterns across questions.
- Use the performance dashboard to identify weak systems and subjects.