

## **Simple Solutions** Level 5 Study Skills Topic Guide

The study skills topics listed below are introduced and systematically re-visited throughout Level 5 and in subsequent *Simple Solutions Study Skills* books.

*Mini Teachings* and diagrams imbedded in the lessons give students the information they need to complete the items independently. Also, the Help Pages – found in the back of each book – provide a glossary and research reference guide. Students may consult the Help Pages for information to complete items in the Level 5 lessons.

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