

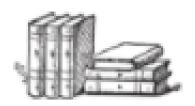
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## 25 Ways To

## Relieve Stress

## **During Finals**



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Make a to-do list and plan out your study time

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Jog, walk, run, do yoga -- move your body!

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Set up a virtual study group

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Have a quiet
evening
without any
technology.
Maybe read a
fun book or
magazine

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Sing!

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Take a 15 minute break every 1 to 2 hours (this improves your brain's capacity for studying and retention)

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Listen to music or play a musical instrument

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Engage in guided meditations or guided imagery on YouTube

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Take extra time to give your plants or pets some extra love and attention

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Have 5-minute dance parties

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Give yourself something to look forward to! (e.g., think about finishing school or make plans for the break)

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Get some sun

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Eat regular meals

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Feel productive by crossing things off of your to do list

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Plan a day of rest or a catchup day 4

Make sure to engage in relaxing activities when you are not actively studying

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Laugh! (Fun fact: laughter protects you from the damaging effects of stress)

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Soak in the bathtub

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Hydrate or make yourself a favorite nonalcoholic treat (i.e. tea or smoothie)

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Check in with your academic advisor or mentor 5

Watch a movie or 1-2 episodes of your favorite show (be sure to set a limit for yourself)

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Take some time to engage in hobbies (set a timer)

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Do something kind for someone

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Reach out to friends

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Make an
appointment or
attend a
Learning
Services
workshop at
CAPS for study
strategies