

The Four- Step Plan: U.P.S.C.

#1



Understand:

Think about the problem:
What information is **important**?
Visualize the information. Ask yourself questions to help you form a mental picture of the problem.

Make a list of what is important to solving this problem.

#2



Plan:

Decide what strategy you are going to use to solve this problem.

Write an equation, draw a diagram, and/or use a model to represent your plan for solving the problem.

#3



Solve:

Show your strategy and how you used it to solve the problem. Be sure to **include** the **equation** and identify the **answer** to the question asked in the problem.

#4



Check:

Does your answer make sense?
Try solving it using another strategy.
Did you get the same answer?
If not, revise your plan and try again.

Answer: (Write a complete sentence.)

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Answer: (Write a complete sentence.)