



## **Learning Project 8**

### **Using Your Skills to Answer Questions**

The two Inquiry Activities in this Learning Project require analysis by the test taker beyond the information given in the passage. As with Learning Project 7, both the passage and the question are considered as a single entity. In the questions that make up these two inquiries, learners will need to draw on information beyond what is given in the passage. In some cases, learners can use common sense; other questions will require prior experience or prior knowledge. A number of test-taking tips are shown in these two inquiries as well.

In Inquiry 8-2, learners focus on two test-taking skills. First, learners must read the answer choices carefully, because several answer choices, if read carelessly, will lead the test taker to make a poor choice. Additionally, the need to eliminate distractors is seen as a good way to narrow the field of choices.

The topics in these questions range from the solar system to consumer economics. As in every Inquiry, learners may have prior knowledge with which they can answer questions. Sometimes they just need to take the time to realize what they know.

