

Template for Problem Solving

State the question:

What is the question asking you do?

PAUSE

STOP

Prepare a Plan:

(i) What data have you been given?

(ii) What is the relationship between what you know and what you need to find out? (Write a series of steps to follow so that you can solve the problem.)



Go Do It:

Follow the steps you planned above.

Ponder the Plausibility of Your Answer:



STOP

(i) Have you answered the question that was asked?(ii) Think of ways to check your answer: work backwards, rough calculations, etc

State Your Solution to the Problem: