



How to Survey a Chapter

Surveying a chapter should take no more than 1 to 2 minutes and is best done *before* reading begins. Surveying prepares the mind to receive information and makes reading easier and faster.

1. Chapter title: _____
2. List 2 questions the title suggests to you.
 - (a.) _____
 - (b.) _____
3. Skim the first paragraph, scanning each heading, subheading, and bold print, and skim the summary questions. What is the chapter about?
4. What do you already know about the subject?
5. Which clues to main points does the chapter contain?

<input type="checkbox"/> Italicized words	<input type="checkbox"/> Bold print
<input type="checkbox"/> Numbered/lettered/bulleted lists	<input type="checkbox"/> Summary
<input type="checkbox"/> Graphs, charts, pictures, etc.	<input type="checkbox"/> Outline of topics to be covered
<input type="checkbox"/> Questions at the end of chapter	<input type="checkbox"/> Quizzes
<input type="checkbox"/> Key ideas/questions in margin	<input type="checkbox"/> Color-coded paragraphs, tinted insets
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
6. How long will it take you to read this chapter? _____
7. If you don't have time to read the chapter in one sitting, how can you divide it (using page #'s)?

8. List at least 4 questions to answer as you read the chapter. Use the back for more questions.
 - (a.) _____
 - (b.) _____
 - (c.) _____
 - (d.) _____