



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 1st paragraph, scan each heading, subheading, 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?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bold print Summary | <input type="checkbox"/> Graphs, charts, pictures, etc. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Italicized words | <input type="checkbox"/> Numbered/lettered/bulleted lists |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quizzes | <input type="checkbox"/> Questions at the end of chapter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Color-coded paragraphs, tinted insets | <input type="checkbox"/> Key ideas/questions in margin |
| <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, where can you divide it? (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.) _____

