

Successful Reading Strategies

- Survey the chapter
 - Read the **chapter objectives** and change them into questions
 - Read all major headings- ask yourself what you already know about the topic
 - Read the **chapter summaries**
 - Read the **questions** at the end of the chapter
- Active Reading
 - Read the chapter one section at a time
 - The first sentence should determine the main idea
 - After each paragraph, write a potential test question in the margin
 - If highlighting, only highlight **after** reading the paragraph
- Recall
 - Who has time to read everything twice? Your goal is to read a passage once and identify the important information
 - Write summaries after each section
 - Create a chart or diagram of the essential information
- Reading Environment
 - Free yourself from distractions
 - Be comfortable, but not too comfortable