Prereading Notes

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Overview: Follow the steps outlined in the left margin as you preread the textbook or article you must read. Write your notes and answers in the main (lined) area of the page.

1. Write down the chapter or article title and, if provided, the author.

2. Read and list the subtitles, objectives, or other helpful information listed on the chapter front page.

3. Skip to the end and read the study questions; return to the main page and jot down any focus questions listed, or questions you think will be on the test.

4. Read the entire opening paragraph; summarize it in a few sentences.

5. Skim the entire chapter, reading *all* headings and subheadings. List the main headings here.

6. Read *the first sentence* of each paragraph in the reading selection.

7. Stop to read all figures, charts, graphs, images, or maps. Be sure to read the accompanying captions.

8. Read the entire conclusion or last paragraph. List the three main ideas in this section.

9. Read the entire chapter and take notes. Write down the question this chapter tried to answer.

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