

# PQRST Reading Strategy

<b>P</b>	<b>PREVIEW</b>  <b>Why?</b> To get the “main idea” of what you’re reading before you begin. This will help in your comprehension or understanding of what you read.  <b>How to do it?</b> Before reading the text, look over titles/subtitles, pictures, captions, charts, maps, graphs, bold words, or the first sentence of every paragraph.
<b>Q</b>	<b>QUESTION(S)</b>  <b>Why?</b> to help generate questions based on your preview information so you know the important facts to look for.  <b>How?</b> Read over chapter questions, create questions based on preview information, turn titles into questions, ask questions about graphic information, vocabulary, or first sentences. Write the questions down.
<b>R</b>	<b>READ</b>  <b>How?</b> Read aloud or silently. Keep your questions in mind and look for the answers. Then write down the answers to your questions.
<b>S</b>	<b>STATE</b>  <b>Why?</b> To check your understanding of what you’ve read by stating in your own words what you’ve read.  <b>When?</b> After reading several pages in a textbook or a chapter in a chapter book, try to summarize what you read and answer your preview questions.
<b>T</b>	<b>TEST</b>  <b>Why?</b> To recall what you read.  <b>How?</b> Ask yourself the questions again and see if you can remember the answers. Re-state them aloud.  <b>When?</b> Regularly until you’re tested over the material.

