

# SQ3R

**SQ3R is a five step reading strategy. SQ3R stands for: Survey, Question, Read, Recite, Review.**

The SQ3R chart can be used when reading a chapter from a textbook. One chart is for each major section of the chapter.

- Survey:** Read titles and subtitles. Notice words in special type. Skim illustrations, graphs, charts, maps. Review end of chapter questions and summaries.
- Question:** Turn main topics and subtopics into 5W Questions – Who, What, When, Where, Why.
- Read:** Read one section at a time looking for the answer proposed by your questions, highlighting main ideas and taking notes.
- Recite:** At the end of each section, take a moment to orally answer your questions, putting the answers in your own words.
- Review:** Summarize your reading. Using your answers, write a short paragraph summary.

# SQ3R Chart

**Survey:** Record the most important titles and subtitles from the major chapter section.

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**Question:** Write Who, What, When, Where, or Why questions for main topics and sub topics.

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**Read:** Read. Write short answers to your questions above.

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**Recite:**

Pause for a moment and orally answers your questions.  
Record any additional facts as needed for each question.

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**Review:**

Compose a brief summary paragraph from your questions.  
If you can't recall some of the major points, reread that section.

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