



Why look at the items above before reading?

- to find out what you already know about the topic
- to think about what you want to read about
- to determine the author's purpose for writing—and your purpose for reading
- to decide on your reading approach (e.g. take notes, skim, apply knowledge, go to interesting sections)
- to assess how difficult it will be to understand
- to judge how long it will take and plan accordingly
- to see if the material will be interesting or not
- to anticipate how useful the info will be to you