Worldview Book
How to read a chapter in an academic book
Reading a Chapter

• Get the big picture in sight
• Structure the presentation of the Chapter
• Analyze the book in detail
Big Picture in Sight

Read the Introduction and Conclusion

Ask, *what is the point of the chapter?*

Ask, *what does the author want you to do or think?*  
(Find this in the conclusion)
Structure the presentation of the Chapter

Now scan the chapter:

- Read only the headings and subheadings
- Bold face/Italicized
- Read first sentences
Analyze the book in detail

Take time reading the Introduction and concluding paragraphs of every sub-section.
Read the body with speed, not getting caught up with the details.
Use a pencil/pen to underline important aspects of the chapter.
Circle areas that are confusing or need clarification.
Box terms that are important, or write “term” in the margin.
Webber, Robert E. *How to Read an Academic Book.*

How to Pre-Read a Textbook Chapter.