



## **DEFINITION**

Skimming refers to reading a text quickly to get the essence, the basic overall idea, rather than concentrating on absorbing all the details.

Skimming is done at a speed three to four times faster than normal reading.







- 1. Read the title
- 2. Quickly study the pictures or any other graphic illustrations (diagrams, tables, charts, graphs, etc) used by the writer.
- 3. Read the subtitles and headings if present
- 4. Read the introduction paragraph (central idea)
- 5. Read the first and the last sentence of the body paragraphs (main ideas)
- 6. Use connectors as guiding sign posts
- 7. Read the conclusion paragraph



- 1. Cover page
- 2. Book name and subtitles
- 3. Content list
- 4. For each chapter, just go through the headings, subheadings, introduction, conclusion paragraphs, illustrations, and chapter summary if included.
- 5. Use connectors in the chapters as guides
- 6. If required, read the topic sentences and the conclusion sentences of the body paragraphs as well.





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Scanning refers to quickly going through a text to find a specific or particular detail.

To check if a resource would answer their questions.

To get to the desired answer quickly.

To concentrate on finding a particular answer





To scan a book, article, passage, brochure, tables, charts, for specific details, you can follow the guidelines below:

- 1. Move your eyes quickly focusing on certain connectors
- 2. Look for the author's organizers, such as, numbers, letters, steps, headings, and subheadings.
- 3. Look for words that are boldfaced, italics, or in different font, size, style, or color.
- 4. Sometimes authors put key ideas in the margin.



