

# Power Previewing Organizer (nonfiction)

*Where to look for important information:*

- Titles, headings, and subheadings
- Opening paragraphs or introduction
- First and last sentence of each paragraph
- Summary paragraphs or lists of key points
- End-of-chapter or start-of-chapter questions
- Bold, italicized, and underlined information
- Circled, boxed, or highlighted information
- Graphs, figures, tables, charts, and maps
- Pictures, cartoons, and photographs
- Captions and figure legends

What are you previewing? What is it about (topic)?

How is the text structured or organized?

What else did you notice or learn while skimming? What information and ideas seem to be important?

Does anything look familiar or relate to something you've seen, read, learned about, or experienced?

What seems interesting?

What seems confusing or challenging? Do you know any strategies that can help you address these challenges?

What predictions can you make and why? (Check and mark the accuracy of your predictions as you read.)

# Power Previewing Organizer (fiction)

*What to look at as you skim:*

- Title and author
- Front and back cover
- Pictures
- Opening lines or paragraphs
- Chapter titles
- Text that looks "different" (for example, a different size or style)
- Anything else that stands out

What are you previewing? What is its title?

Who is the author?

What did you see or notice while skimming?

Did anything look familiar or interesting?

What do you think this reading will be about? What do you think might happen?

Check your ideas after you finish reading.

