SQ3R Survey, Question, Read, Recite and Review

SQ3R is a five-step study plan to help students construct meaning while reading. It uses the elements of questioning, predicting, setting a purpose for reading, and monitoring for confusion. SQ3R includes the following steps:

1. **Survey**
   - Think about the title: “What do I know?” “What do I want to know?”
   - Glance over headings and first sentences in paragraphs.
   - Look at illustrations and graphic aids.
   - Read the first paragraph.
   - Read the last paragraph or summary.

2. **Question**
   - Turn the title into a question.
   - Write down any questions that come to mind during the survey.
   - Turn headings into questions.
   - Turn subheadings, illustrations, and graphic aids into questions.
   - Write down unfamiliar vocabulary words and determine their meaning.

3. **Read Actively**
   - Read to search for answers to questions.
   - Respond to questions and use context clues for unfamiliar words.
   - React to unclear passages, confusing terms, and questionable statements by generating additional questions.

4. **Recite**
   - Look away from the answers and the book to recall what was read.
   - Recite answers to questions aloud or in writing.
   - Reread text for unanswered questions.

5. **Review**
   - Answer the major purpose question.
   - Look over answers and all parts of the chapter to organize information.
   - Summarize the information learned by drawing flow charts, writing a summary, participating in a group discussion, or by studying for a test