

The main idea is often the first sentence in a paragraph but not always.

## **Target Your Reading**

Use this to focus on the main ideas as you read the chapter.

- **Before you read** the chapter, respond to the statements below on your worksheet or on a numbered sheet of paper.
  - Write an A if you agree with the statement.
  - Write a **D** if you **disagree** with the statement.
- **After you read** the chapter, look back to this page to see if you've changed your mind about any of the statements.
  - If any of your answers changed, explain why.
  - Change any false statements into true statements.
  - Use your revised statements as a study guide.

Before You Read A or D		Statement	After You Read A or D
	1	All birds can fly.	
	2	Many birds have hollow bones.	
	3	Birds take in oxygen both while inhaling and exhaling.	
	4	Birds swallow small stones to help them digest their food.	
	5	All mammals have glands in their skin, though they are not important.	
	6	All mammals have the same number and type of teeth.	
	7	All mammals give birth to live young.	
	8	Mammals have well-developed brains.	