

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.

2 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	Biodiversity is the number of organisms in an ecosystem.	
	2	Extinction is a normal part of nature.	
	3	A species in danger of extinction is labeled as threatened.	
	4	Small areas of habitat are normally more diverse than larger areas.	
	5	Ozone depletion occurs over much of Earth.	
	6	There are laws to protect species and their habi- tats.	
	7	Habitats that have been harmed can be restored.	
	8	Preservation and restoration of habitats auto- matically protect species living there.	
	9	Individual organisms living in captivity can never be released back into the wild.	