

Reading Tip

As you preview this chapter, be sure to scan the illustrations, tables, and graphs. Skim the captions.

Target Your Reading

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

- 1 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 Water is a simple molecule composed of two oxygen atoms bonded to one hydrogen atom.	
	2 Liquid water can become gas at many temperatures.	
	3 Water molecules are called polar molecules because they are attracted to Earth's north and south poles.	
	4 The polarity of water molecules makes water great for dissolving other substances.	
	5 About 25 percent of your body is water.	
	6 Even more than food, water is critical to your immediate survival.	
	7 Water is a natural resource.	
	8 About 70 percent of Earth's surface is covered by freshwater.	
	9 Water that is held underground in layers of rock and sediment is called groundwater.	