## Get the Gist

The *Get the Gist* strategy will help you find the main idea as you have to limit the number of words used and so focus on the important ideas rather than on details.

Book:	Chapter:
1. Scan chapter.	
2. Read The chapter.	
3. Who or what is the chapter mostly about?	
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This chapter is mainly about	
4. What important pieces of information are  • •	linked to the 'who' or 'what'?
5. Put together the answers above and tell the main idea (i.e., what the chapter was mostly about) in 10 words or less!	