

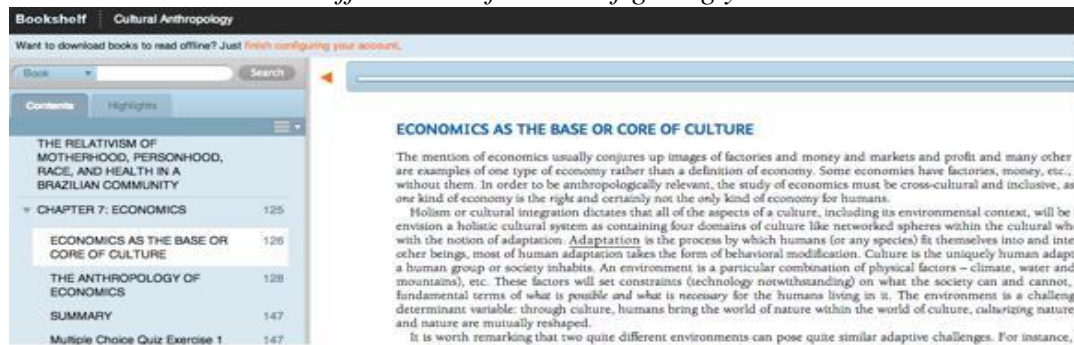
# Getting started with your E-book

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- *Am I really saving money?* Great question! Research shows that students who go to class with the correct materials and who are properly prepared have a much higher success rate. For those who purchase their textbooks through the college bookstore, the savings are below. We used a student's Fall 2015 schedule to show you the savings:

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Anatomy & Physiology	\$225.00	\$115.00
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<b>Total New Cost:</b>	<b>\$841.00</b>	<b>\$534.00</b> *savings of \$307.00

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