

Topic Development: Getting Started with Your Research

1

What is your topic?

What about it is (or could be) interesting to you?

If you're not sure, Google the topic and learn more about it.

2

What will be the specific focus of your research?

You can use Wikipedia to narrow your topic and/or connect it to your interests

3

Write your topic as a question.

Use 5-Ws (who, what, when, why, where) to brainstorm researchable questions

4

Google your question.

Review the results - what are some potential answers to your question?

a.)

b.)

c.)

d.)

Use your Research Question and potential answers to organize your research