

Question Suggestions

What makes ...
If how ...
If then ...
If ... which ...
What should
Should ...
How should ...
How can ...
How could ...
Could ...
Why do ... Why does ... Why is ...
How do ... How does... How did ... How will ...
What is the best way ...
What are the best examples of ...
What if ...
Which ... OR Which of ...
What are with the most ...
What are with the least ...
What are the most ...
What are the least ...
Is (was) ... justified
How can we defend....
To what extent ...
In what ways ...
How might ...
How do we know if ...

How is different from ...
How does (did) change (affect) ...
What problems (issues) ...
What are (were) the effects of ...
What are (were) the results of
Why is Important
What happens (happened) when ...
What procedures ...
What actions ...
What changes need to be made to ...
What is (was) the role of ...
What is (was) the difference between ...
What causes (caused) ...
How did decide to
Why did decide to ...
What is (was) the relationship between ...
How is ... related to
What is (were) the competing sides ...
What are some possible consequences of ...
What is the cost of ... (not money!)
What kinds of ...
What are the key characteristics of...
What are the traits of ...
What are some possible *solutions* for

Main Research Question

- Should explore a matter of considerable importance
- Your question should provoke a look at ideas worth knowing and thinking about
- Your question should not be answered by a quick and simple yes or no answer
- Your question can shift and evolve with time and new understanding

An essential question makes you do one or more of the following types of deep thinking:

Comparing, observing, classifying, hypothesizing, interpreting data, evaluating, deciding, creating, applying principles to new situations, analyzing, synthesizing, building or inventing, persuading or convincing, predicting, challenging, figuring out, wondering, understanding, speculating, imagining

SRT Library Research Planner

Name: _____

Research Topic: _____

Big Research Question I Need to Answer: _____

Using your notes from your brainstorming, identify 6 FOUNDATION QUESTIONS you need to answer in order to complete your research project. Try to think through all the aspects of your topic and write your ideas out in the form of a question.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

Note Taking Criteria

- Fully completed Research Booklet—all pages filled out fully and completely
- Notes are only written as key words / ideas / phrases—as much as possible in your own words
- All sources must be credible and from a reputable source. No Wikipedia / Study.com etc.
- Minimum of three sources used for research
- Your booklet must be complete and submitted in order for your research essay to be graded.
No booklet = No grade

SRT Library Research Record

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