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How to Select a Topic

Selecting a Topic

The ability to develop a good research topic is an important skill. An instructor may assign you a specific topic, but most often instructors require you to select your own topic of interest. When deciding on a topic, there are a few things that you will need to do:

- ❖ Brainstorm for ideas
- ❖ Choose a topic that will enable you to read and understand the literature
- ❖ Ensure that the topic is manageable and that material is available
- ❖ Make a list of key words
- ❖ Be flexible
- ❖ Define your topic as a focused research question
- ❖ Research and read more about your topic
- ❖ Formulate a thesis statement

Be aware that selecting a good topic may not be easy. It must be narrow and focused enough to be interesting, yet broad enough to find adequate information. Before selecting your topic, make sure you know what your final project should look like. Each class or instructor will likely require a different format or style of research project.