

Topic / Thesis Development Worksheet

1. What instructions for selecting a topic does your assignment give you?

2. What is your topic? _____

3. What broad subject areas does your topic touch on? _____

4. What time and place is your topic concerned with? _____

5. What people are most affected by your topic? _____

6. What questions do you have about your topic? List as many as you can:

7. Identify two sources for background information on your topic:

1. _____
2. _____

8. Express your topic as a research question, focusing on the aspect of your topic you plan to write about: _____

9. Identify the keywords in your research question and list synonyms for each:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

10. State your research question as a thesis statement:
