

Part I: Topic Selection

Go over your Topic Features chart. Which topic seems like it will be the best fit for this project? Why?

Topic #1: _____

Why? _____

What questions or concerns do you have at this time about choosing this topic?

II. Preliminary Research: Use an encyclopedia and one other non-fiction book or biography to complete as many items below as possible.

Topic: _____

Title, Author/Publisher of Resource #1 :

Title, Author/Publisher of Resource #2:

a.) Write **five facts** that you already knew about your topic that were confirmed through your early research reading.

b.) Write **five new facts** that you did not know before that might be relevant to your project.

c.) Write the names of 3 to 5 **people** who are connected to your topic. Explain how they are connected.

d.) Write 3 to 5 to **dates** that are important to your topic. Explain how they are important.

e.) Write the names of 3 to 5 **places** that are related to your topic. Explain how they are related.

f.) Write **six** questions that were generated from your early reading. (If you have no questions, then maybe this is not an interesting topic after all.)

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