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**Final Research Project: Developing the Research Plan**

WHS Research Standard, Indicator A:

1. Students will generate a research question and develop and refine a plan to address this question.

Once you have chosen a topic and identified a question about that topic that can guide your research (this was what you did on the sheet you got yesterday), it is time to develop a plan to address this question.

Ideally, you have created a question about your topic that you CANNOTanswer right away. It should be something that you can only answer after gathering, organizing, analyzing, and synthesizing a considerable amount of information about your topic. So, what information about your topic do you need to find in order to fully address your question?

Use the space below to generate some “guiding” questions for your research. These should be questions that can be answered with a set of facts (rather than opinion-based questions.) You can use the basic journalistic prompts (Who, What, Where, When, Why, How) to prompt your thinking.

One thing to be aware of: as you gather and make sense of the information that helps you answer those questions, be prepared to create follow up questions. Research is a continual process of questioning, searching, and questioning some more. STAY CURIOUS!