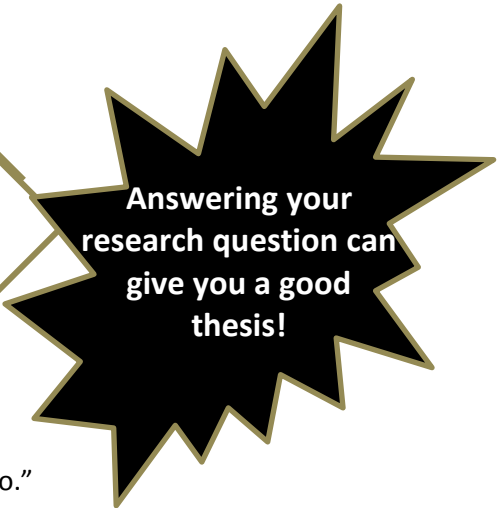
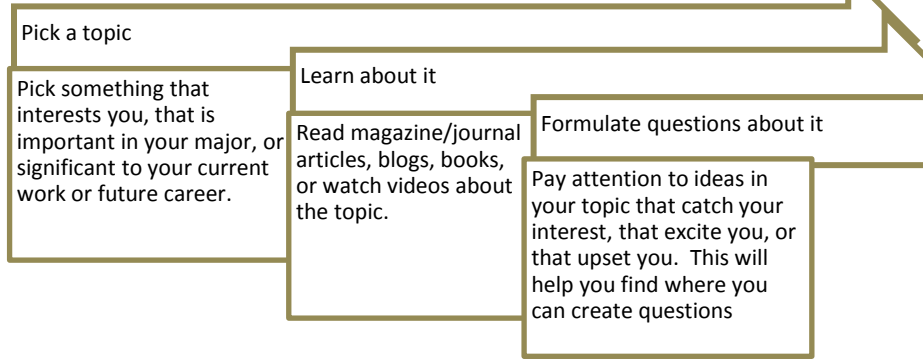


**EG 102** *Creating a Research Question*



**NOTE:** Research questions **CANNOT** be answered with a simple “yes” or “no.”

Research Question Examples:*			
Broad Topic	Restricted Topic	Narrowed Topic	Research Question
<i>Oceans</i>	<i>Sharks</i>	<i>Declining populations</i>	<i>How would it affect the fishing industry off the West Coast of the US if we did not protect shark populations?</i>
<i>Nutrition*</i>	<i>Diets</i>	<i>Vegetarianism</i>	<i>What nutritional benefits are there to vegetarianism?</i>
<b>Let's do one together</b>			
<b>Your turn now...</b>			

Types of research questions:*			
Comparison	Cause/Effect	Measuring	Process
How do the effects of the problem affect different players differently?	What are the causes of the problem or the effects? How would it change if we changed some aspect of it?	How extensive is the problem itself or the effects of it?	What processes are involved with the problem or its possible solutions?

\*From Burkhardt, MacDonald, Rathemacher. (2010). *Teaching information literacy*. Chicago: ALA. p. 31

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## Most important words/phrases from you research question:

**HINT:** You want 2-5 words or phrases.

## Synonyms or related words/phrases #1

## Synonyms or related words/phrases #2

## Synonyms or related words/phrases #3

## Synonyms or related words/phrases #4

## Possible combinations of words/phrases:

**Reminder:** Type **AND** between words and phrases.

For information searching, use the databases you learned about in EG 101 Academic Search Premier, CQ Researcher, Credo Reference, Opposing Viewpoints, Oxford Reference, or use appropriate subject databases. For a review of these, go to <http://www.esulibinstruction.weebly.com>.