

Research Paper Worksheet



Question you want to answer(topic): _____

Revised topic: _____

What would a good answer to that question look like? What kind of evidence and rhetoric are necessary?

Subject domain/s: (psychology, business, sociology, biblical studies, theology, ethics, _____)

Keywords brainstorm: (specific academic words, biblical citations, author or place names...)

- Broader terms:
-
-
-
-
- Narrower terms:
-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-

Places to do your research:

- Find articles and ebooks 24/7 = jessup.edu/library/all-electronic-resuorces
- Find books and ebooks = catalog.jessup.edu
- Tutorial videos on the research process and library resources = jessup.edu/library/tutorials-guides
-
-
-
-
-

Places to avoid research/possible pitfalls:

- Never use Wikipedia in your citations. Do use it to get a general overview of a topic, or to find other sources in the references section.
- It is harder to write dispassionate research papers on highly emotional topics like abortion, theological controversies, or persecution so be aware of your tone when writing on these topics.

Working paper outline (make your own in Word so you can copy and paste citations, etc.)

Introduction + thesis (—/—pg)

Body (—pgs)

Conclusion (—/—pgs)

Working resource list (write down everything to avoid accidental plagiarism)