6 Steps to Effective Research

1. Choose a topic.
   Can you relate this assignment to something that truly interests you?
   
2. Gather background information.
   Search Reference books, the Library's catalog, & WorldCat.

3. Generate a list of keywords and phrases.
   Look for keywords in books, on webpages, by talking with others, and by using a synonym finders such as Visual Thesaurus.

4. Search for information on your sub-topics.
   Find reliable Web sources.
   
5. Refine your search as necessary.
   Experiment with different keywords and filters.

6. Create a bibliography.
   Format citations using KnightCite and a Library Getting Started citation guide.

Ask: Should you narrow your topic?

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