



Writing Questions for My I-Search Paper: Think it Through

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Topic \_\_\_\_\_

6. Narrow the Scope of Your Research Question: *(Take your time here - this will make or break your research. Review the questions above and identify categories (i.e. political, social, economic issues). Think about limitations that would help frame and control your search (i.e. location - U.S as opposed to the world). Using these broader categories and as well as these limitations, try to craft a question that frames your research well, giving you enough to research, but not too much!) This is very difficult and I will certainly help, but not until you've given it your best shot :o)*

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7. Ms. Slager's Approval: *(And the Primary Guiding Question is . . . (drum roll, please :o)*

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Ms. Slager's initials

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Student initials

## What I Want to Know Template

Your introduction should transition (lead) the reader smoothly from your *What I Know* to your guiding research question. Be sure to state your guiding question at the end of the first paragraph.

Transition (lead) the reader to the smaller, more specific questions you have concerning your topic and what you hope to discover during your research and why you would like to learn this information.

Conclude by sharing your enthusiasm for your topic and what you hope to learn. Be sure to repeat your guiding research question.