

Response Summary:

From Questions to a Problem Worksheet

You are no longer a mere data collector, but a researcher interested in understanding something better. List your topic of interest (from the Topics Worksheet) below into a complete sentence.

Goal: To generate questions based on the topic of interest in the Topics worksheet

Objectives: Students will transition from a broad topic to a specific question

Outcomes: Students will answer who/what/when/where/whether/why/how

1. Student Information *

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Q13. If you are enrolled in CGT 501, select a cohort
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3. Purpose *

- Developing Research Questions

Evaluate

4. Identify the significance of your topic by completing the following sentences *

Topic: the topic I am studying is	We are learning about the addictiveness of opioids
Question: because I want to find out what/why/how	What are the main causes of the opioid epidemic, why are specific groups targeted more than others, how are efforts being made to resolve this epidemic
Significance: in order to help my reader understand	The true effect of the opioid epidemic and to overcome it

5. Use the space below to determine if your problem is a practical or conceptual problem by answering the following questions about your topic. *

What's the situation or condition you desire to address, and why is it important?	The opioid epidemic, it is important because people are dying every year because of overdosing
What's the undesirable consequences caused by that condition including costs that you (or your readers) don't want to pay?	The cost of their life, undesirable disease, family pain, loss of relationships, significant loss of funds.
Why are these consequences important?	People shouldn't die unnaturally when it could've been prevented
What do we do about it?	Educate the public and possibly provide resources

6. Practical vs Conceptual Problem: complete one of the two questions about your problem *

Refer to Chapter 4: From Questions to a Problem, pg 50 - 57 of The Craft of Research by Booth et al., 2016 (available via Purdue Online Library catalog)

Practical Problem: What do you want your reader to do?	Lack of knowledge around opioids is leading to unnecessary death, so the reader should educate themselves on this problem.
Conceptual Problem: What should the reader think?	That opioids are dangerous without proper oversight on how to use it for pain mitigation

7. Significance: Explain why you want your reader to know and care about the topic. *

Because drugs in the United States are an issue, and are tearing families apart. Drugs is on the rise and without the proper knowledge the issues will become worse and cause irreversible effects.