

## Response Summary:

# From Topics to Questions Worksheet

You are no longer a mere data collector, but a researcher interested in understanding something better. Use the prompts below to describe your topic of interest in a complete sentence.

**Goal:** To articulate what the student hopes to find out about 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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<b>Term</b> (e.g. F2020)	S2022

**Q13. If you are enrolled in CGT 501 select a cohort**  
N/A

**2. Email Address (enter your University email address) \***  
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**3. Purpose (select an option from the drop down box)**  
• Developing Research Questions

## Topic

**4. The topic I am studying is: \***  
The use of microplastics in our day to day lives and their long term impacts on our health.

# Because

## 5. I want to find out: \*

<b>What</b>	which products use microplastics, which common items do we use that contain microplastics, health effects both short term and long term, where the problem is the most prevalent/the worst
<b>Why</b>	I have read that microplastics are injurious to our health, but this is not a very well covered media topic so I am unsure to what extent microplastics impact us
<b>How</b>	I will research articles that discuss/report problems and read studies published by health organizations that are already tracking the usage of microplastics, and I will also conduct primary research by looking at products that I use in my everyday life that contain microplastics.

## 6. In order to help my reader understand: \*

the impact and severity that microplastics have on the environment, our health, and our future. I want my reader to understand what kind of danger they possess, if any, and to inform them about how much they are being used today.

**Q12. In the space below, using your answers provide above, type the complete sentence that describes your topic.**

**For example: I am studying the causes of the disappearance of large North American mammals because I want to find out whether the earliest peoples hunted them to extinction, in order to help my reader understand whether native peoples lived in harmony with nature or helped destroy it.**

I am studying the use of microplastics in our day to day lives and their long term impacts on our health because I want to find out which products use microplastics, which common items that we use contain microplastics, health effects both short term and long term, and where the problem is the most prevalent, in order to help my reader understand the impact and severity that microplastics have on the environment, our health, and our future.

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