

Understanding the research question:

- Identify the central concepts within the research question and the paragraph you wrote explaining it

Brainstorming keywords:

- Generating a list of potential keywords related to the major concepts you've identified. List those.
- Using an online thesaurus to find synonyms and related terms. List what you find
- Determine if there is any relationship between terms and if so, what this relationship is

Boolean Operators:

- Consider how you would use "AND," "OR," and "NOT" to combine search terms effectively.

Database specific search features:

- Exploring advanced search options available in different databases.

Truncation and wildcards:

- Utilizing wildcard characters to capture variations of a word (e.g., "child*" to find "child," "children").
- Understanding how truncation can be used to broaden search results.

Developing a search strategy:

- Create a structured list of search terms, including synonyms and related concepts.
- Combine terms using Boolean operators to build complex search queries.