

## Emerging Technologies: Preliminary Research

### Step 1) Generating Research Questions

Create questions to guide your research using the stems below. While you research, focus on answering these questions.

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| <b>Your Global Issue:</b> | Gun Control                                                                                                                                                              |
| Background information    | How can accidental deaths due to guns be prevented?                                                                                                                      |
| Impact/Effect             | How are people very close to us being affected by shootings?                                                                                                             |
| Prevention                | Is there anything my community can do to help prevent these tragic accidents or does it all have to go through the government or state? Does the government really care? |
| Other                     | How do the mass and accidental shootings compare from city to city?                                                                                                      |

### Step 2) Creating Search Terms

Brainstorm a minimum of six search terms related to your topic. Use these to begin your search.

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| gun             | shootings         | mass             |
| accidental      | insanity          | control          |
| children        | bullets           | hostage          |
| gun-point       | bear arms         | Second Amendment |
| school shooting | laws              | gun violence     |
| mental health   | background checks | killed           |

Guns can be useful in many ways but they can also be very harmful, and cause tragic accidents. I personally know many people that own multiple guns, but they know how to properly use them. They keep them all in a safe, along with the bullets. My family is from Iowa, so I am very used to hearing stories about shooting deer or other animals, which is still harmful, but not against the law.

The cause of the fact that this is even a global issue, is people being terribly irresponsible. They don't think through their actions and just do whatever seems logic at the split second. Or people are not properly storing their guns and the get into the hands of children. The effects of guns are obviously, millions of people dying. From accidents to completely planned out mass shootings, too many unnecessary deaths are happening each day. I believe that this could all be prevented if the government laid out more regulations to who can purchase guns and who is even lawfully allowed to hold a gun.

I really want to figure out if they are planning on enforcing any laws, or if there is any way we as young adults could somehow help with the process. I chose this topic because my father recently bought a gun but has never used it outside of a shooting range, and also I've heard so many stories on the news lately about random pointless shootings, and I want to know how we can make them stop, because before we know it, one could hit closer to home then you would have ever expected.