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- Research: Formulate a question about your topic
  - Become an expert on your general topic
  - Research all subtopics necessary to answer your question
- Example
  - Topic: Earthquakes
  - Question: How well can we predict earthquakes?
  - Subtopics: causes of earthquakes, term for a scientist that studies earthquakes, measurement methods for earthquakes as they are happening

Topic: _____________________________

Question: _____________________________

Subtopics:
Example

1. Go to SIRS researcher-- if your topic is not on the A to Z list on SIRS use Explora
2. Go to your topic summary
3. Copy & paste topic summary below
4. Highlight unfamiliar words & words you need to know more about in order to understand your topic fully

Record words/concepts unfamiliar to you: