Formulating Research Questions



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What is Research Questions

Research Questions

A research question is the fundamental core of a research project, study, or review of literature. It focuses the study, determines the methodology, and guides all stages of inquiry, analysis, and reporting.

Research questions are not like ordinary questions. They are somewhat inquisitorial in that they expect an answer (not necessarily a reply). A research question must be answerable.

This means that it is not helpful in research to have a question that is so all embracing that it would be impossible to answer it within the confines of a research project, however large.

Ex. 'What is the nature of education?' or 'What is the impact of communication technologies on learning worldwide?',



How to Write Research Questions

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1. Clear: It provides enough specific s that one's audience can easily understand it's purpose without needing additional explanation.

2. Focused: it is narrow enough that can be answered thoroughly in the space the writing task allows (manageable).

3. Concise: It is expressed in the fewest possible words.

4. Complex: it is not answerable with a simple "yes" or "no", but rather requires synthesis and analysis of ideas and sources prior to composition of an answer.

5. Arguable: its potential answers are open to debate rather than accepted facts.



Step in Developing Research Questions

Steps in Developing Research Questions

- 1. Choose an interesting General Topic
- 2. Do some Preliminary Research on your general topic
- 3. Considered your reader or the scope of your research.
- 4. Start asking questions. What do you want to know about it, is it important
- 5. Evaluate your questions, is it effective or not?
- 6. Is your research questions complex?

Construct: What is idea you are investigating?

So what? Why is it important? Why do you need to investigate this?

Then what?



Sample of Research Questions

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1. What effect does social media have on people's mind? What effect does daily used of Twitter have on the attention of under 16?

2.What is the symbol presented in the novel? How the symbol of A in Scarlet letter novel affect the theme of the novel?

3. Is the character has a trauma? How does trauma affect the development of Felix's character?

Example of Research Questions

Corpus: Life Little Irony by Thomas Hardy Ideas That is being investigated : Irony How does Irony is presented in the text



How is Irony used to create suspense in the text.

THANK YOU

