Topic Selection Worksheet

1. Write your topic in the box below and circle the keywords or keyword phrases.

**TOPIC:**

2. Write your main keyword in the box to the right and other keywords in the boxes below (you should always use at least two).

   - **Keyword and alternative keywords**
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   - **Main keyword and alternative keywords**
     - video games
     - computer games
     - x-box
     - Grand Theft Auto
   - **Keyword and alternative keywords**
     - aggressive behavior
     - aggression
     - violent behavior
     - fighting
     - bullying

3. List below the subject disciplines professionals who publish articles about your topic are likely to come from. For example: Medicine/health, business, social science, psychology, etc. Identifying potential subject areas will help you decide where to search for information.

   - **Subject area #1**
   - **Subject area #2**
   - **Subject area #3**
   - **Subject area #4**

   - sociology
   - education
   - psychology

Example:

**TOPIC:** Video games can cause aggressive behavior in children.

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     - children
     - youth
     - kids
     - adolescents
     - teenagers
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