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### Identifying Your Research Needs: K-N-R Chart

Use this chart to identify what you already know about the topic and what you need to find out.

What do I <b>KNOW</b> about the topic?	What do I <b>NEED</b> to find out?

Now, use this chart to identify what type of information you need.

What <b>RESOURCES</b> do I need?		
	Type of Information Needed for Topic	Most Appropriate Resources
<b>Lower Order Questions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> General Overview</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Quick Facts</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Background Information</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Terms and Definitions</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Historical Perspective</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Statistics</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Maps</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Primary Sources</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Dictionaries, Atlases (print or online)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Encyclopedia (print or online)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Specialized Encyclopedia</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Yearbooks, almanacs, directories</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper articles (online databases)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Audio / Video</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Magazine articles (online databases)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Quality websites</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Community resources</li> </ul>
<b>Higher Order Questions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> In-depth Coverage</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Expert Information</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Expert Opinion</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Current Information</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Current Expert Research</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Differing Perspectives</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Expert/Subject-specific blogs, podcasts</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Non-fiction books</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Journal articles (online databases)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Peer-Reviewed journal articles (online databases)</li> </ul>

What are your best research starting points for this topic?		
<input type="checkbox"/> School Library Catalog	<input type="checkbox"/> INFOhio Virtual Library	<input type="checkbox"/> School Library Website
<input type="checkbox"/> Database	<input type="checkbox"/> Internet Search Engine	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Library = Other Source