

Information Design

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Project 1: Information Graphic

Worksheet Part 1: Research. Understanding your topic and gathering, organizing and assessing content.

1. **Name of Topic**
2. **Resources.** List (at least 5) online (re)sources from:
 - a. **Academic One File** has always been an excellent general database for undergraduate research. The depth of full-text offerings has recently been improved.
 - b. **Ebook Central** is an expansive collection of ebooks that can be searched either through the catalog or as a standalone database. Here you can get Meirelles, Isabel, the recommended reading listed above.
 - c. **The Wall Street Journal** is free to the entire City Tech Community. Activate your free subscription today!
 - d. **The New York Times** Sign up for your free academic pass or renew your subscription
3. **Thesis:** Compose a paragraph statement of your thesis for the Info Graphic Poster. The thesis statement should describe your objective - what is the 'take-away' from your poster.

Example of a thesis:

- a. to shed light on dangers of drinking lead for school children and expose incompetence and neglect by officials
 - b. To compare dangers of lead exposure in schools 10 years ago vs today
 - c. To highlight difficulties in creating lead free drinking water in New York Public schools and Public Housing.
4. Outline three components that describe your thesis and give context to it. Think beginning, middle and end. This can include background information, facts about the subject matter, current state of the problem.
 5. Find 10 facts that support your thesis (include citation from where you find your fact). These can include numbers, comparisons, words, dates, quotations, definitions, etc.
 6. Begin to develop a long list of words associated with your topic. At least 20 words. Think pictogram and ideogram.