Creating a Search Strategy

1. Define your topic in a phrase or sentence.

2. Circle or highlight the keywords, or the main words, in your sentence.

3. Generate synonyms for the keywords in your topic. Get these from books, articles, or other sources of information, and also use word association to generate keywords. 
   *(Use Thesaurus.com for ideas)*

4. Find additional keywords or synonyms such as persons, places or related things.

5. List the assignment requirements (due date, types of sources, etc.).

6. Note databases, resources or websites that may be appropriate for your research.