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Taking notes for a research paper starts with a package of note cards and a **working outline**. But, what is a working outline?

A **working outline** is the outline you create before you do much research. It is an outline of the information that you are looking for as you research and that you expect to use in your paper.

Imagine you are going to write the next great Vampire Romance novel and therefore you needed to research for it.

1. What are 3 big/main ideas you would need to research?

I.

II.

III.

2. What are 3 areas or pieces of information you will need to know about the first idea?

I.

A.

B.

C.

3. Repeat for your second idea

II.

A.

B.

C.

4. What specific details would you need to know about A, B, or C?

I.

A.

1.

2.

B.

1.

2.

C.

1.

2.

5. In one sentence describe what you want your story to be about.

6. What are some great ideas you have for it?

7. What are at least 3 main topics you will need to research in order to write this story?

I.

II.

III.