

Search Strategy Plan

1. State your problem in one sentence

2. Databases you plan to search

3. Brainstorm keywords/topics

Main Idea

Keywords

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Consider synonyms, related terms, phrases, alternate spellings, plurals/singulars, truncation

4. Topic vs. keyword search

5. Refine your search online by considering
other usable keywords

terms to broaden and narrow

related names/proper nouns

6. Evaluation (offline)

What worked/what didn't

What to do next time