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Handout: Query Formation

DIRECTIONS: Follow these steps to create search terms/queries for your research on your health topic.

1. Write down one of your research questions for your health topic (refer back to Pod 1, Activity 3: Generating Research Questions)

Research Question:

In your research question above:

2. Circle the **key words** (words essential to communicating your need)
3. Underline **maybe words** (synonyms or replacement terms)
4. Add **missing words** (words you think may give you information about your research question and help you answer it)
5. Ignore/cross out **unnecessary words**
6. Write your search terms/query for your research question below.
