

Paired Search Process Outline

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Directions: You will be working with a partner to complete a research task. Please follow the steps in order and read the directions for each step before doing it.

Step 1: Complete this section independently.

In your own words, what is the research task you're trying to accomplish?	
What do you already know about the task or topic that can help you and your partner?	
What are some keywords or phrases that you think will be helpful in your search?	
What are some websites, books, or YouTube channels that you think could be helpful in your research?	

Step 2: Complete this section with your partner before you search.

In your own words, what is the research task you're trying to accomplish?	
What do you already know about the task or topic that can help you and your partner?	
What are some keywords or phrases that you think will be helpful in your search?	
What are some websites, books, or YouTube channels that you think could be helpful in your research?	

Step 3: Decide who will be the driver (the person typing and clicking) and who will be the backseat driver (the person recording observations and making suggestions). You will both have ten minutes in each role.

Driver's job: Enter some of the search terms from your combined list. Click on the links that you think will contain helpful information. Read the article(s) that you think are helpful. Bookmark and take notes on the articles that you think are helpful.

Backseat driver's job: Take notes on the articles that the driver opens. Write down anything that you think might be helpful even if the driver ignored it. Pay attention and **write down any new-to-you terms** that appear while observing the driver.

Step 4: Talk to each other and discuss your observations. Do you think you have found all of the information you need? If so, what is your answer or solution? If not, what are the next research steps you're going to take?