

Everyday Science - Research Log

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STEP ONE: Plan your search.

Research topic: _____

Possible search terms: _____

Resources to consult:

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|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| _____ product web site | _____ free web |
| _____ general reference | _____ subject-specific reference |
| _____ general database | _____ subject-specific database |
| _____ other | |

STEP TWO: Track your search strategies.

On a separate piece of paper, record the details of **every** search you execute. Please attach the search record to your research log before you turn it in.

Example:

Searched in Academic Search Complete for information about fiber.

- "fiber" – keyword search – 141,206 results
- Limit publication date to last 5 years – 81,298
- Added concept – fiber AND nutrition – keyword search – 4,486
- Found helpful subjects: "fiber in human nutrition" and "grain"
- "Fiber in human nutrition" and "grain" – subject search – 65 results

STEP THREE: Compile your results.

On a separate piece of paper, record the citation information for the web sites, reference resources, or articles that you found. Attach to your research log.

Example:

Title: Eat Smart: Which foods are good for what.

Author(s): Bonnie Liebman

Source Title: Nutrition Action Health Letter

Volume: 38 *Issue:* 10 *Date:* December 2011 *Pages:* 1-7

Location: Academic Search Complete

Availability: PDF or HTML full text