

## Britannica's Pre-research Planner

Are you getting started on a research project? Use this worksheet with *Britannica Online School Edition* to pick a topic and get a great start to your project. *Britannica Online School Edition* is online at [www.school.eb.com](http://www.school.eb.com).

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Research Subject \_\_\_\_\_

	<b>Step 1: Write down what you already know about your research subject.</b>	<b>Step 2: Use <i>Britannica Online School Edition</i> to find key words and ideas about your subject. Write them down.</b>	<b>Step 3: Think of questions to research and trails to follow. Write them down.</b>
<b>Who?</b> Who led? Who participated? Who was affected?			
<b>What?</b> What is...? What happened?			
<b>When?</b> When did...? In what order did events occur?			
<b>Where?</b> Where is...? Where did the events occur?			
<b>Why?</b> Why did...?			
<b>How?</b> How did...?			
<b>Wow!</b> Find other examples. Show a relationship. Make a distinction. Predict an outcome. Suggest a solution. Formulate a theory. Propose an alternative.			

**Use the topics and questions you wrote down in Step 3 to guide your research project. *Britannica Online School Edition* can help you find encyclopedia and magazine articles, great Web sources, and photos, illustrations, maps, and video clips for your project or presentation!**