

# Prewriting in Research



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- **Clear Understanding of the Assignment:**
- Clearly comprehend the research assignment or task.
- Identify the research question, topic, or objective.



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- **Define Your Purpose:**
- Determine the purpose of your research (to inform, persuade, analyze, etc.).
- Understand the target audience for your research.



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## •Choose the Right Prewriting Techniques:

- Select appropriate prewriting techniques based on your preferred style and research objectives (brainstorming, outlining, mind mapping, freewriting, etc.).



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- **Gather Relevant Information:**

- Conduct initial research to gather relevant data, sources, and background information.
- Identify primary and secondary sources to support your research.



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- **Brainstorming:**

- Generate a wide range of ideas related to your research topic.
- Encourage creative thinking without judgment.
- Use techniques like word association, listing, and clustering.
- Video - [Brainstorming a Research paper](#)



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- **Research:**

- Ensure your sources are credible, reputable, and relevant to your topic.
- Take notes while researching to capture key information and insights.



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- **Outlining:**

- Create a structured outline that organizes your main ideas and supporting points.
- Establish a logical flow for your research paper.
- Include headings and subheadings to guide your writing.





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- **Mind Mapping:**

- Visualize the relationships between different concepts, ideas, and themes.
- Use colors, shapes, and connecting lines to represent connections.
- Explore multiple perspectives and potential directions for your research.

- Video [How to Mindmap](#)



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## Freewriting:

- Set a timer and write continuously without worrying about grammar or structure.
- Overcome writer's block by allowing ideas to flow freely.
- Review your freewriting to extract valuable insights



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- **Organize and Prioritize Ideas:**

- Review the generated ideas and select the most relevant ones.
- Arrange ideas in a coherent order, considering their significance and relevance.



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- <https://www.umgc.edu/current-students/learning-resources/writing-center/online-guide-to-writing/tutorial/chapter2/ch2-05>
- <https://www.adlit.org/topics/writing/help-students-generate-ideas-through-prewriting>

