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Search Strategy Worksheet

This worksheet will help you develop a more effective search strategy as you research. You will hand this in at the end of the project.

What is the essential, most important question that you are trying to answer in your research? Write it here:

How does **violence** in the **media** affect **teenagers**?

Now write down the main concepts contained in your question:

Concept #1		Concept #2	Concept #3
violence		media	teenagers

Find related terms:

Synonyms, related terms and words, and alternate spellings should be placed in the appropriate CONCEPT column. Brainstorm words that are related to your main concepts, or use a thesaurus or dictionary to find synonyms and related words. Combine your search terms with "OR" and "AND" operators. Use a *tilde*, this symbol ~, to ask Google to search your word and related terms and synonyms. Put words that should stay together inside quotation marks.

Concept #1		Concept #2	Concept #3
OR ~violent OR OR OR	AND	OR TV OR television OR "video games" OR movies OR film	AND OR adolescent OR "young adult" OR ~teen OR youth OR children OR kids