

Taking notes for a research paper starts with a plan. That plan can include a **working outline**. But, what is a working outline?

A **working outline** is the outline you create before you do much research. *It is an outline of the information that you are looking for as you research and that you expect to use in your paper.*

Imagine you are going to write the next great Vampire Romance novel and therefore you needed to research for it. *THIS IS PRACTICE FOR WHEN YOU WILL CREATE YOUR OWN WORKING OUTLINE.**

1. What is one major idea you would need to research?

I.

2. What are 3 areas or pieces of information you will need to know about the first idea?

I.

A.

B.

C.

3. Repeat for a second idea....think about where you would set this story.

II.

A.

B.

C.

4. What else would you need to research for this vampire novel?

III.

A.

B.

C.

