**The 3 P’s: Population, Place, Problem**  
Use this list to help you come up with something to focus on for your Research Question.  
***Remember: These are just examples. Feel free to be creative and come up with your own!***

**Population** (a specific group of people)

EXAMPLES

* Undocumented immigrants
* Survivors of school shootings
* Young Adults
* People living in developing countries
* Women
* Minorities / People of Color
* Cancer patients

**Place**

EXAMPLES

* United States
* Your state
* Your city
* Another country?

**Problem** *(your topic)*

EXAMPLES

* Immigration reform
* Gun control policy
* Minimum wage
* Global Warming/Climate Change
* Gender pay gap
* Racial Profiling
* Legalization of Marijuana

Write down your chosen… **Problem:**

**Example:**

**Problem:** *Legalization of Marijuana*

**Population:** *Cancer patients*

**Place:** *United States*

Write down your chosen… **Population:**

Write down your chosen… **Place:**

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Problem** *(Your issue/topic)*

**Population**

**Place**

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**Population**

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**Research Question**

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**Ideas For Your *Research Question***

**This:**  
What are some ways that the problem of \_\_**[problem]**\_\_\_\_ among \_\_\_**[population]**\_\_\_ in \_\_\_**[place]**\_\_\_ can be addressed?

**Becomes:**  
What are some ways that the problem of \_\_***racial profiling***\_\_ among \_\_***minorities***\_\_ in the \_\_***United States***\_\_ can be addressed?

**This:**  
How might \_\_\_**[problem]**\_\_\_ affect \_\_\_**[population]**\_\_ in \_\_\_**[place]**\_\_\_ ?

**Becomes:**  
How might \_\_ ***legalization of marijuana***\_\_ affect \_\_\_ ***cancer patients*** \_\_ in the \_\_\_ ***United States \_***\_ ?

**This:**  
What changes should be made to \_\_\_**[problem]**\_\_\_ in \_\_\_**[place]**\_\_\_? If these changes are made, how might that impact \_\_\_**[population]**\_\_ ?

**Becomes:**  
What changes should be made to \_\_ ***immigration reform***\_\_ in \_\_\_[***your state***]\_\_ ? If these changes are made, how might that impact \_\_ ***undocumented immigrants*** \_\_ ?