Solving Information Problems
Research/ Inquiry Process

Listen

Learn forever

Use past knowledge

PRE-READ/ EXPLORE
Plan your approach/ Read around the subject to:
- to get a feel for the language of the topic.
- to gain an overview of the topic.
- to identify possible sources of information.
- to help choose a focus or judge the breadth of your research

1. DEFINE the task/ information problem
- What exactly do I need to do?
- What do I need to find out?
- What do I already know that can help me get started?
  Hint: Identify keywords in the task. Break it up into manageable chunks using focus questions or headings.

6. EVALUATE your work
- What did I learn? Did I achieve my purpose?
- How well did I go with the process?
- What did I do well?
- Will I need support with some parts in the future?
- What would I change if I did the task again?

Work together

Ask questions

Center circle:
Use good Habits of Mind to make information tasks easier

Habits of Mind icons:
- Think about thinking
- Go WOW!
- Stop and think
- Innovate
- Use 5 senses
- Be clear
- See the funny side
- Think flexibly

5. CREATE & PRESENT your final product
- How can I best present this information?
- Who is my audience?
- Which format would be best? *(Have I been given directions about this?)*
- Have I included everything I need to?

2. LOCATE a range of resources
- Where can I find the information I need?
- What search tools, sources and technologies can I use?
- Which sources will best suit my needs for **this** task?

4. ORGANISE your information
- How can I best organise/ synthesise this information?
- Have I made notes under my focus questions or headings?
- Have I recorded details for my reference list?
- Do I have enough information?

Make it right

Persist

Need help?
Look for more support on the Inquiry Process page of the Library website or ask a Teacher Librarian for help.

Try new ideas

3. SELECT resources
- Which of these sources will be of use to me?
- Can I read/understand the information?
- How credible/reliable is the source of information?
- How relevant is the information to my need/task?