

WHAT TO DO AFTER YOU HAVE PICKED A TOPIC FOR YOUR PAPER?

HIST – 109 Making of the Contemporary World

PROPOSED TOPIC: THE ISLAMIC REVOLUTION OF 1979 AND ITS IMPACT ON US-IRAN RELATIONS

Goal : Explain an event or issue from the news from the issue in historical context

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WORLD | MIDDLE EAST

Iran to Return to Nuclear Deal Talks in Vienna Next Month

Tehran's chief negotiator said it would resume stalled discussions in November on reviving the 2015 accord

yahoo!news

THE WEEK

Iran clearly wants a nuclear deal. Does Biden?



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WORLD POLITICS

Iran has agreed to return to nuclear talks — but don't expect a deal anytime soon, experts say

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STEP 1:
ESTABLISH
A TIMELINE

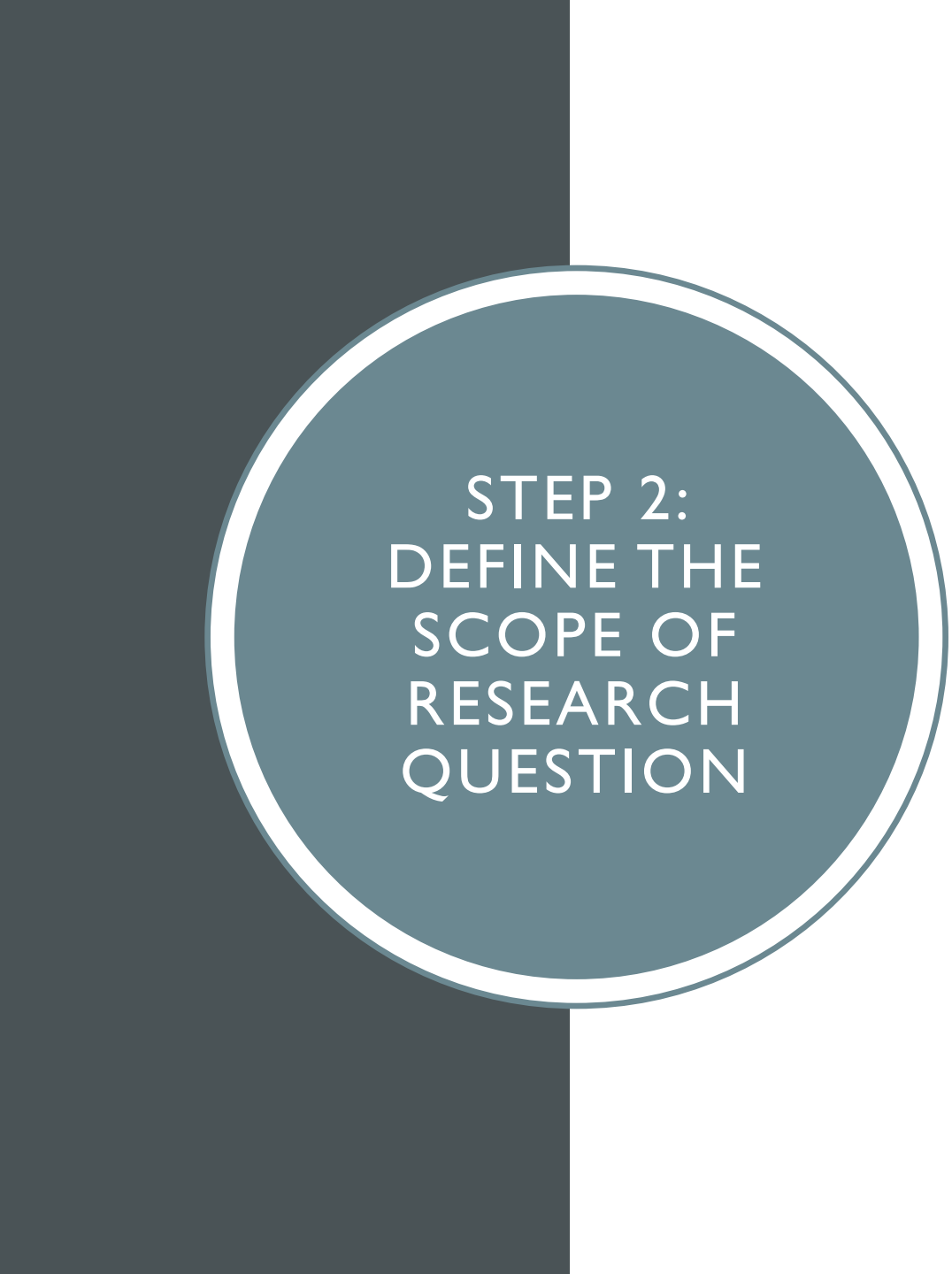
When looking to learn more about a country or a region over a period, look for timelines created by reputable news providers.

To identify a turning point, refer back to general themes: continuity, contingency, change.

Example: This timeline of U.S. - Iran Relations from PBS
<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/world/a-timeline-of-u-s-iran-relations>

This paper will distinguish between two periods:

1. US-Iran Relations, 1953-1979
2. US-Iran Relations, 1979 – present day



STEP 2:
DEFINE THE
SCOPE OF
RESEARCH
QUESTION

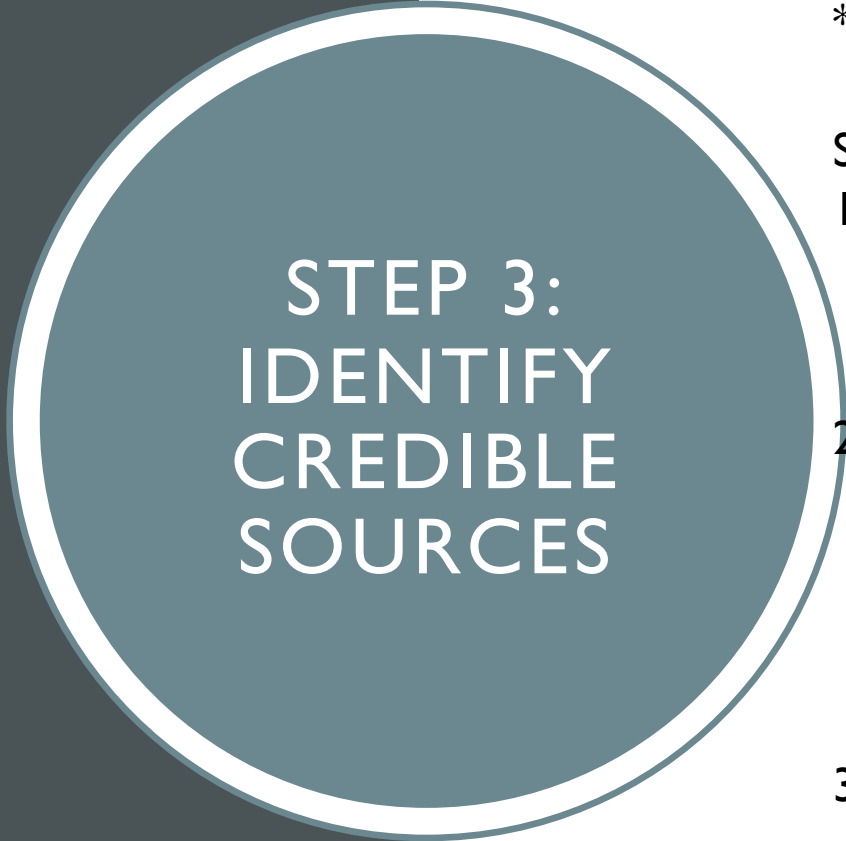
The scope of a study explains the extent to which the research area will be explored in the work and specifies the variables of interest

We have already established that we want to explore the impact of the Islamic Revolution on US-Iran relations.

Next, we should further narrow the scope of our study by distinguishing a variable of interest –

Possible Variables:

1. Cultural Relations
2. Economic Relations
3. Military Relations



STEP 3:
IDENTIFY
CREDIBLE
SOURCES

The Proposal should include a well-developed references section

*We highly recommend using resources from our library

Sources:

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 - Islamic Revolution
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