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QUESTION 1; What is research?

Research is a scientific inquiry that aims at learning new facts and testing ideas.

It is a systematic collection, analysis and interpretation of data to generate new knowledge and answer certain questions and solve problems.

Research is known to be the systematic investigation into and study of materials and sources in order to establish facts and reach new conclusions.

The main purpose of research is to generate new knowledge. Though there are other sources of knowledge, but research remains the main efficient and relevant source of knowledge.

QUESTION 2; What makes a topic researchable?

A topic is researchable if :

- The researcher has the interest on the topic of study.
- The researcher has the expertise, that is the skills and knowledge grounding in the subject on which the research topic is based.
- It is feasible, that is there is possibility to research on the topic easily and conveniently.
- There is availability of data.
- A topic is researchable if the topic is relevant, that is the topic is important and will contribute something worthwhile to your field in a scientific, social or practical way.
- In addition, a topic if researchable should be novel, that is it should be something that is unique (new ideas) in the field or scope you are analyzing.
- Lastly there should be ethical considerations, that is set of principles that guide research designs and practices.

All the above if considered will definitely make a topic researchable.



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