Brainstorming for Research

Step One
On back, in pencil, write down all the things you might write about for this piece.

Step Two
After five minutes, read aloud, create master list, and then choose one to transfer to the front of the page.

Step Three
Next, make sure that you write down everything you actually know—can prove a strong correlation or causation about in terms of your topic.

Step Four
Next, write down all the questions that you have about your topic.

Step Five
Circle the most important question—a hypothesis that might drive your research.

Step Six
Post your piece, and read others.

Step Seven
Put a star next to what seems like the “most interesting question” on your peers’ work. Also, add a question that you have about the topic.

Step Eight
Pull down your work, and be ready to talk about it.