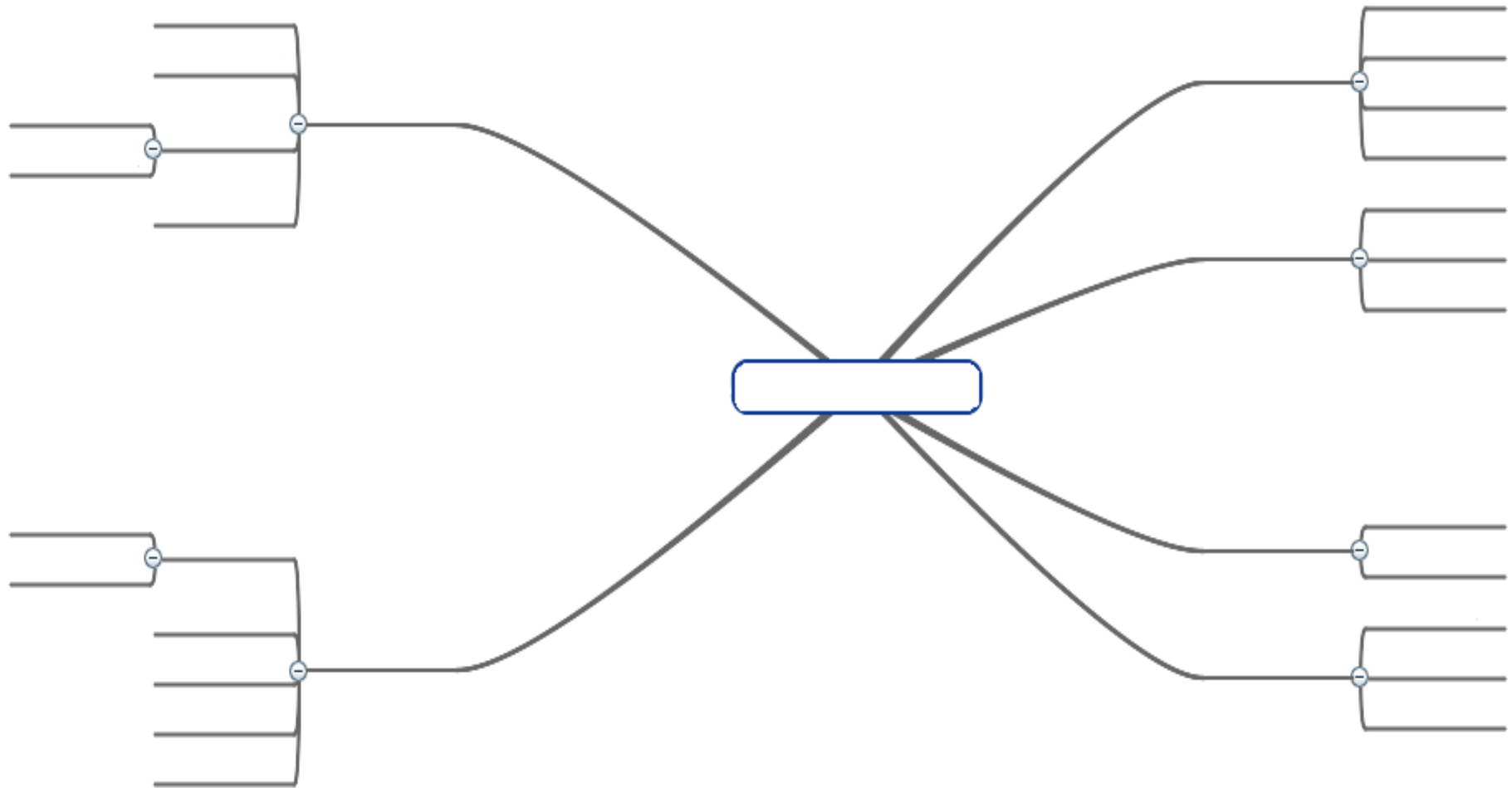


Research Question/Thesis Worksheet

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| <p>1. What topic, problem, or issue are you interested in? Do some background research to find out more about it.</p> | <p>2. What specific part of the topic are you interested in? Break down topic and group ideas in clusters (use reverse). Pick one cluster or part of one.</p> | <p>3. List a few possible questions about your specific topic area. Ask: What? Who? When? Where? Why? How?</p> |
| <p>4. Choose one to be your main research question. Why or How questions are best.</p> | <p>5. Make your question as clear and specific as possible. Specify who, what, where, when you are talking about. Clarify any vague words.</p> | <p>6. State your working thesis. The working thesis should summarize the answer to your main research question, and will likely change after you do some research.</p> |



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