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| Organising your concepts into a table, like the one below, will make it easier when it comes to entering your search terms into a database. Enter your research topic in the first box and highlight your key concepts.  Enter each main concept at the top of a column and list synonyms or related terms underneath running down the column.  Note, we combine the synonyms and related concepts with OR and we combine different concepts with AND. |

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