**Part 1.** Look at your research question in the spreadsheet. Write down the 2-3 nouns that appear in your research question into separate boxes.

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<th>Ex: Drug abuse</th>
<th>Ex: Mental health</th>
<th>Ex: Treatment</th>
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**Part 2.** Look at each word above. Can you come up with at least one word that is related to, or means similarly to, the words above? Think of words you would probably see in an article about your topic. Write at least one word in the corresponding column.

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<th>Ex: Substance abuse</th>
<th>Ex: Mental illness</th>
<th>Ex: I can’t think of one right now, but in my research, I will discover terms I can try.</th>
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**Part 3**
- Put quotes (“ ”) around any phrases (two or more words).
- Use truncation (*) where appropriate.

**Part 4.** Try to combine your keywords with Boolean operators. Create a simple search to try in a database.

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