**Topic Selection |** Narrowing the Topic

Once you’ve selected your 3 favorite topics from the brainstorm, try to narrow the idea down. Just like the people who made “solar freakin roadways” started at a broader topic (renewable energy) and moved to a smaller topic (solar power), you need to work on breaking down your ideas into smaller, more researchable topics.

After you’ve narrowed your ideas, start brainstorming **problems** related to that topic. For example, the solar roadway people may have thought, “how can we incorporate solar power on a massive scale in the United States?” Though you may not have any idea of a solution yet, try to think about elements of your topic that need to be improved, addressed, or changed.

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