English II – Research Paper

Statement of Intent (Due Tues. Feb. 20)

Consider answering the following questions in your “Statement of Intent”:

**- What is your topic of choice?  
- What controversies surround the topic today, and which stance do you take on those issues?**

**- Why is your topic important to us and our community?**

**- What are specific details of the topic or situation to offer us a basic understanding?**

- What reliable sources have you found on your topic?

- Which individuals and organizations are considered authorities on your topic?

- What values do you hope to instill in your reader? (e.g. appreciation of the arts, compassion for certain groups of people, awareness of a major threat)