

# Fascination & Confusion

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The following exercise is suitable when...

- you want to find or narrow down a topic.
- you are not satisfied with your topic.
- you are demotivated.
- ...

Create a table and write down what fascinates you about your topic and what confuses or annoys you about it. When you describe both sides of an issue, you may discover more benefits than you first thought. Maybe your topic isn't so bad after all?

You should also check whether you can resolve what confuses you, and look for solutions.

What **fascinates** me about my topic:

What **confuses** me about my topic:

Based on:

Esselborn-Krumbiegel, Helga (2002). Von der Idee zum Text: Eine Anleitung zum wissenschaftlichen Schreiben im Studium. Paderborn: Schöningh. p. 48–49.