

# Samples

## Sample research Topic

Challenges faced by Islamic Banking in conventional banking environment

## Problem statement

A problem statement is an understandable, comprehensive but concise description of the issue to be discussed. It may contain more than one question to be answered.

## Sample problem statement (Based upon research topic):

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## Questions in a Problem statement (Problem questions)

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What is conventional environment?

What is existing institutional structure?

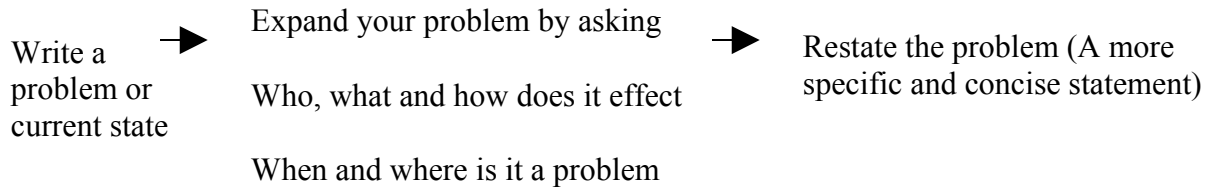
Why this system is fit for conventional mode?

What is Islamic financing system?

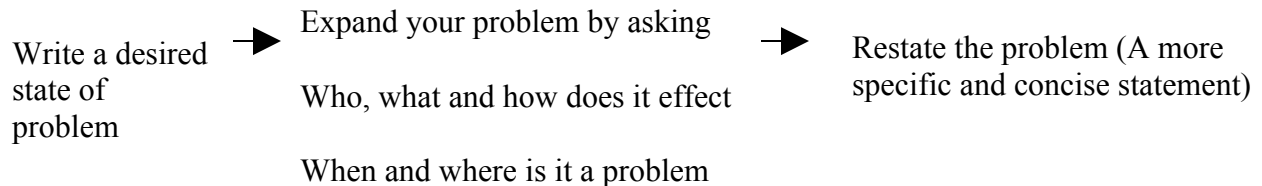
How many areas can overlap in both modes? Can we make a combination of both?

# How to write a problem statement

## Define the current status of problem



## Define the future and desired status of problem



## Combine both current and future state

Now combine current and future state and create a problem statement. It will take 2 to 3 attempts to make it clear, concise, understandable yet comprehensive. Following criteria should be met in order to develop an effective problem statement.

- Your focus should be only on a single problem (although it may address multiple problems called problem questions)
- It should be in 7 to 10 lines
- It doesn't suggest a solution