

Brainstorming and Research Question

Potential Topics of Interest

- Video games
- Computers
- Business
- Outdoor Activities
- Cars
- Beach
- AI

Video Games

- Are microtransactions and loot boxes predatory or optional?
- Is skill-based matchmaking good for players or does it ruin casual gaming?
- Are modern games worse than older games due to corporate influence?

Computers

- Is building a custom PC better than buying a prebuilt system?
- Are Macs better than Windows PCs for productivity and creativity?
- Is planned obsolescence intentionally built into modern hardware?

Business

- Is hustle culture healthy motivation or exploitative?
- Should companies prioritize profit or social responsibility?
- Is college necessary for business success?

r/ArtificialIntelligence

r/ChatGPT

r/AIArt

How do users in r/ChatGPT and r/AIArt use rhetoric to argue about whether AI replaces or enhances human creativity, and what differences in values or ideologies emerge between the two communities?

Transparency Statement: I used ChatGPT to help brainstorm potential arguments related to AI and to refine my research question. All final decisions and wording were my own.

Update 1/24/26

I changed my research question to something more specific on a topic that has not been written about or researched as much as my initial question above.

How do political creators on Instagram Reels rhetorically frame allegations surrounding Minnesota childcare facilities, and what appeals to emotion, authority, and credibility are most prominent in this discourse community?