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   - The title needs to be descriptive and must incorporate a key phrase related to your topic. Put your keywords within the first 65 characters of the title.

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   - b. Consider looking up specific keywords on Google Trends or the Google Adwords keywords tool to find out which search terms are popular
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