

# DIRection

## Research Game Plan

### ➤ Create Meaning: Using Twitter



Twitter is the place to find breaking news (like your research!), updates, opinions, conversations...Find out how to join, how to be a positive voice in Twitter discussions and how to learn the most from tweets!

- You must be 13 to join and have a valid email address or telephone number.
- Read Twitter's rules for safety and privacy before beginning: <https://help.twitter.com/en/rules-and-policies/twitter-rules>
- Do NOT tweet information about or images of others without their consent. Do NOT use detailed personal information without written consent.
- Conversations are organised by #s. Type the topic preceded by # in the search bar to find tweets linked to the topic.
- Express yourself, or tweet, using 280 text characters, images, videos, Gifs or polls.
- Use #s in your tweets so others can find and participate in your conversations.
- Respond to existing tweets in a convo or start a new public conversation with someone by using @ and their Twitter name in your tweet.
- Send a private direct message to someone you follow by choosing this option in the person's profile.
- Follow Twitter accounts that share your opinions AND ones that don't. This way you'll get the BIG picture and many sides of a story.
- Twitter accounts with blue checkmarks are verified accounts.
- You can sync your blog or podcast with Twitter so that your followers receive notifications about new content.
- You can sync your Twitter account with your favourite blogs or podcasts in order to receive notifications about new content.
- Choose to receive Twitter notifications ONLY by email. This is often less distracting than banner notifications.