Week 4 - Bridging Course - Getting off the start line and where to find sources

Please record below what you have achieved this week:

You may want to make a note of:

· What you have done

Even though I have created previous weekly tasks I am still struggling to find a focus for the project. This week I have done a few bits of light research but mainly discussed with family the best options I have for my EPQ because I understand how important it is to choose the right topic.

· What discussions you have had

I have discussed a few options for a dissertation style response potentially surrounding topics such as the Greek and Roman empires or racism in football. I also thought of doing a performance such as running a marathon. But I really want to do something to do with data analysis of potentially marketing in football. This would either take form of a dissertation or an artefact if I wanted to produce a piece of data analysis.

· Any changes that you have or will need to make to your plans

My original plan was to base my project on work experience I was doing within the football business industry over the summer but this will not be possible over the summer. Also, I don't really know when I will be able to do this as there is currently no confirmation about what will happen with English football in terms of this season and next. Therefore, I have had to come up with a number of back up plans if it doesn't work out.

· What resources you have found or hope to find

I was going to use the work experience as my main source of primary research for my main project plan. For other resources I have used a variety of web sites giving me information. I also have autobiographies on footballers who have experienced trouble with racism. I was planning to collect more resources and look into purchasing some books when I confirm what my project was.

· What problems you are encountering and how you are solving them

The main problem is the clarity over my work experience. To try and solve that I am going to email the person who has given me the work experience to see if he can give me any knowledge surrounding the situation. Another problem with the marathon is that if I planned to do it in lower sixth it would have to be an unofficial marathon so I'm not sure that is the best option but generally speaking I'm struggling to decide exactly what to do.

· What you are going to do next

Depending on the email I receive about my work experience over the half term I am going to continue to look into the 4 topics I have highlighted and decide which the best topic is. Once I have done that I will do wider research on that topic potentially buying some books as well and try and formulate a question that suits the topic.