Planning a research project

(1) What topic might you want to investigate and write about?

(2) How could a (provable/falsifiable) research question / a clearly-delimited descriptive task be formulated?

(3) How / by what method / with which kinds of primary language data could you approach the question? How can these data be collected?

(4) Are you going to need specialist terminology? Are you going to refer to other linguists’ work? Where will you find definitions / ideas to take over?

(5) What do you (not) need to explain to your (educated outside) reader in order to answer the question? How could a concise essay structure look like?

(6) What will you have to say in terms of a conclusion?

(7) Which literature might be useful?

(8) Whom will you ask to proofread your draft? ☺ (Now’s the time!)