This research project will focus on the problem of racism in the United States.

1) One reason why it is important to learn more about this problem is that episodes of blatant racism are escalating in the United States at an alarming rate.

2) A second reason why people should care more about racism in the United States is because people are being denied fair opportunities for advancement in society as a result of this practice.

3) A third reason why people should understand racism more fully is because this is a learned behavior, and it’s important to think about why some people resort to racism in the United States.

Once students have listed the reasons that they have researched as to WHY their social problem is occurring, they will research those reasons to form the basis of the paper.

In this case, the first body section of the paper would be devoted to statistics that prove that instances of racism / bigotry are rising (see Point 1).
The second body paragraph would be devoted to researched information and examples that prove that racism / bigotry is a reason why some people are denied opportunities (See Point 2).

The third body paragraph would be devoted to researched information that focuses on the reasons why some people practice racist / bigoted behavior.