Theme 02: Defining the Research Problem

**Turnitin Similarity**

A student uploaded her Research Proposal to TurnitinUK and received a similarity index of 16%. Below is the similarity report generated.

**ANSWER THE QUESTIONS:**

1. What is a ‘similarity index’?
2. Is 16% a high similarity index?
3. Why has Turnitin highlighted parts of the text in different colours?
4. Part of the first paragraph has been highlighted – is that an example of plagiarism?

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