

Research Topic Ideas

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1. If God created man in his own image, and Victor Frankenstein created man as well, it might be said that Victor wanted his creature to be somewhat of a “clone” of him. What is cloning, what is it, what is the debate surrounding it?
2. In our novel, reanimating dead tissue is the key to bringing the creature to life. Today, scientists are experimenting with cryogenics, hoping to achieve the same outcome. What is cryogenics, and what is the debate surrounding it?
3. What are the elements of Victorian (Mary Shelley’s time in history) death and funeral customs?
4. What made Mary Shelley popular with her readers?
5. How did Mary Shelley’s earlier life influence the writing of *Frankenstein*?
6. Connect the myth of Prometheus to the plot and theme in *Frankenstein*.
7. What are the characteristics of Gothic Literature (often called Gothic Horror) that are seen in *Frankenstein*?

My choice: _____

Some ideas I may want to explore...

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- 2.
- 3.