Informal Outline. Paper details: Purpose: At this point, you should be well into your research topic. You should have collected much academic research. The purpose of this assignment is to develop an informal (“rough”) outline that will help you organize your research so that you know where to begin writing. A working outline serves as a roadmap for your research paper; it helps you to decide which information qualifies as a main topic and which information is better suited for a sub-topic. While this is a rough outline, you should nonetheless be usingthesourcesthatyouwillusefortheactualresearchpaper. Youmay,ofcourse,decidetoreplace sources as you begin the rough draft of your paper. An informal outline does not need to be three levels. Instead, you may use a two-level approach: major topic and sub-topics. Here is an example: I. Less likely to graduate high school (major topic) A. May have to quit school to work to support family (minor topic) B. May not have academic support at home (minor topic) Directions: First, read the following: o The Bedford Guide for College Writers: ““How to Use a Thesis to Organize,” 392 “Organizing Your Ideas,” 393 “Outlining”, 395 “Informal Outlines,” 397 Then write a rough one-level (Roman numerals only) rough topic outline for your research paper. Remember to include your rough thesis at the top of the page for this assignment. Once you have completed this assignment, upload it to the associated drop-box.