Questions for facilitation (read your topic into ”X”)

History

* When was X introduced and by whom?
* What was the point of introducing X?
* What was X meant to replace?

Elements

* What are the main features of X?
* What do they mean, one by one?

Variation and internal competition

* What forms did X take (or what forms has it taken)?
* Is there (or has there been) competition between different interpretations of X?
* What kind of competition?
* Who won (or who is winning)?

Criticism and external competition

* How has X been criticized after its introduction?
* What external competition has emerged after the introduction of X?
* Who won (or who is winning) in that competition?

Bigger picture

* How did X (or its most successful forms) succeed in reaching the aim?
* And, last but not least, if this has not been answered already, if “X” is the answer, what was the question?

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Questions to be considered in your subsequent work (in the preparation of the detailed presentation of your approach and methodology – and in your future research)

* What is X’s relation to my work?
* If I am working within X, what is my justification for the choice?
* If I am not working within X, why (what is my justification for not choosing X as my primary approach)?
* What is my approach (if not X)?
* Why do I think that my approach is the best for my purposes?