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Qualitative Research: Bridging The Conceptual, Theoretical, And Methodological



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Focused on developing the conceptual, theoretical, and methodological knowledge needed to engage in rigorous and valid research, this introductory text provides practical explanations, exercises, and advice for how to conduct qualitative research "from design through implementation, analysis, and writing up research. Qualitative Research presents the field in a unique and meaningful way, and helps readers understand what authors Sharon M. Ravitch and Nicole Mittenfelner Carl call "criticality" in qualitative research by communicating its foundations and processes with clarity and simplicity while still capturing complexity. Packed with real-life examples of questions, issues, and situations that stem from the authors' and their students' research, the book humanizes the qualitative research endeavor, illustrates the types of scenarios that arise, and emphasizes the importance of actively considering paradigmatic values throughout every stage of the research process. In every chapter, the authors illustrate the qualitative research process as decidedly ideological, political, and subjective using themes of criticality, reflexivity, collaboration, and rigor.

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not only generate conversations but entire reflection sessions with your students/classmates. Youâ€™ll want to have this resource handy whether itâ€™s teaching a class or course in qualitative research or writing your dissertation.

Great book great professor. Sharon Ravitch is my qualitative methods professor in the executive doctorate program at Penn. In person, and in the book, she has the ability to explain and make relevant very complex methodologies and methods around qualitative research.

Excellent

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