

Chapter 4: The Role of Interpretation

Multiple Choice Answers (correct answers in bold):

- 1. The aim of an empathetic interpretation is to focus on...?
 - A. Identifying underlying structures which generate the phenomena under investigation
 - B. What is there rather than what might be hidden
 - C. Uncovering latent meaning in accounts
 - D. Understand a particular phenomenon in and of itself rather than the perspectives of those involved
- 2. Which one of the following is NOT part of a suspicious enquiry?
 - A. Revealing hidden truths
 - B. Getting beneath appearances in order to find out 'what is really going on'
 - C. Deciphering and decoding evidence to uncovered a deeper, underlying, meaning
 - D. Treating data at 'face value' to examine what is foregrounded in accounts
- 3. Which type of interpretation is most aligned to a critical realist research project?
 - A. Suspicious interpretation
 - B. Empathic interpretation
 - C. A mixed method approach, fully integrating suspicious and empathic interpretation
 - D. None of the above
- 4. Which type of interpretation is most aligned to a phenomenological research project?
 - A. Suspicious interpretation
 - B. Empathic interpretation
 - C. A mixed method approach, fully integrating suspicious and empathic interpretation
 - D. None of the above
- 5. Hermeneutics can be viewed as the....?
 - A. Art of questioning
 - B. Art of interviewing
 - C. Art of interpretation
 - D. Art of reflexivity

6. Ethical challenges associated with interpretation are particularly difficult to negotiate when dealing with...?

- A. Realist qualitative research
- B. Phenomenological qualitative research
- C. Empathetic interpretation
- D. Suspicious interpretation