

Chapter 5: Putting together a research proposal

Multiple Choice Questions

1. Which of the following is NOT typically a function of a research proposal?

- A. To show that the research is ethically sound
- B. To show how the research will make a valuable contribution to existing knowledge
- C. To present research findings and analysis
- D. To convince others that the research is worth supporting

2. It is impossible to develop a research proposal on the basis of...?

- A. The epistemological position of the research
- B. The phenomenon of interest alone
- C. Personal experience or work-based practice
- D. A thorough literature review

3. The first step in putting together a research proposal is...?

- A. The formulation of a research question
- B. Reflexive practice
- C. A literature review
- D. Conducting a pilot study

4. The main point of a literature review is...?

- A. To list and describe existing research
- B. To discuss the limitations of your chosen research approach
- C. To detail the methodological approach chosen
- D. To develop a rationale for the chosen the research question

5. The choice of data analysis technique should initially be guided by...?

- A. The type of data collected
- B. The researchers' prior experience of data analysis
- C. The research question
- D. The time available for analysis

6. In terms of ethics, researchers often failed to consider...?

- A. The ethical recruitment of participants
- B. The potential effects of the analysis and findings
- C. Collecting data ethically
- D. Allowing participants to withdraw from a study partway through

7. A universal requirement of research in terms of resources is...?

- A. Pens and paper
- B. Money and finance
- C. Willing participants
- D. Researcher time