

Chapter 5: Putting together a research proposal

Multiple Choice Answers (correct answers in bold):

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**