Chapter 6: Thematic Analysis

<u>Multiple Choice Answers (correct answers in bold):</u>

1. Thematic analysis aims to:

   A. **Recognize and organize patterns in qualitative data**
   B. Develop theories which are grounded in data
   C. Uncover the essence of a phenomenon
   D. Locate discursive resources in participants talk

2. Which of the following is NOT typically something that informs the theoretical status of a theme?

   A. A particular theory
   B. The research question
   C. An epistemological position
   D. **The type of data collected**

3. A final step in thematic analysis can be…?

   A. **The development of an explanatory framework to incorporate the major themes identified**
   B. Putting together tables and charts to display findings
   C. A comparison with another analytical method
   D. Asking participants their views on the thematic analysis

4. The ontological position adopted in thematic analysis is mostly:

   A. Realist
   B. Relativist
   C. Idealist
   D. **Dependent on the research question**

5. The position of the researcher in thematic analysis resembles which of the following?

   A. A detective
   B. A counsellor
   C. An architect
   D. **All of the above**

6. Which of the following skills is NOT typically important to qualitative researchers?

   A. Being able to work systematically through data
   B. Being able to identify categories of meaning
   C. **Being able to run statistical analysis**
   D. Being able to interpret and develop theories from data