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At the heart of all successful survey research is asking the right questions. Constructing Effective Questionnaires is intended for all who commission, conduct, and evaluate research based on asking questions. This book offers Robert Peterson's pragmatic perspective on questionnaire construction - one based on a balance of personal experience plus in-depth knowledge of the conceptual and methodological literature of the behavioral sciences. From specific question wording to overall questionnaire design, the book is a comprehensive guide to this critical element of survey research. Throughout the book, Peterson repeatedly stresses the importance of empirically testing and evaluating questions, not only to identify whether they work, but also "why" they work.

The volume includes a set of selected papers extended and revised from the 2011 International Conference on Mechanical Engineering and Technology, held on London, UK, November 24-25, 2011. Mechanical engineering technology is the application of physical principles and current technological developments to the creation of useful machinery and operation design. Technologies such as solid models may be used as the basis for finite element analysis (FEA) and / or computational fluid dynamics (CFD) of the design. Through the application of computer-aided manufacturing (CAM), the models may also be used directly by software to create "instructions" for the manufacture of objects represented by the models, through computer numerically controlled (CNC) machining or other automated processes, without the need for intermediate drawings. This volume covers the subject areas of mechanical engineering and technology, and also covers interdisciplinary subject areas of computers, communications, control and automation. We hope that researchers, graduate students and other interested readers benefit scientifically from the book and also find it stimulating in the process.

Teacher Education and Practice, a peer-refereed journal, is dedicated to the encouragement and the dissemination of research and scholarship related to professional education. The journal is concerned, in the broadest sense, with teacher preparation, practice and policy issues related to the teaching profession, as well as being concerned with learning in the school setting. The journal also serves as a forum for the exchange of diverse ideas and points of view within these purposes. As a forum, the journal offers a public space in which to critically examine current discourse and practice as well as engage in generative dialogue. Alternative forms of inquiry and representation are invited, and authors from a variety of backgrounds and diverse perspectives are encouraged to contribute. Teacher Education & Practice is published by Rowman & Littlefield.

How to Design, Write, and Present a Successful Dissertation Proposal, by Elizabeth A. Wentz, is essential reading for any graduate student entering the dissertation process in the social or behavioral sciences. The book addresses the importance of ethical scientific research, developing your curriculum vitae, effective reading and writing, completing a literature review, conceptualizing your research idea, and translating that idea into a realistic research proposal using research methods. The author also offers insight into oral presentations of the completed proposal, and the final chapter presents ideas for next steps after the proposal has been presented. Taking the view that we "learn by doing," the author provides Quick Tasks, Action Items, and To Do List activities throughout the text that, when combined, develop each piece of your research proposal. Designed primarily for quantitative or mixed methods research dissertations, this book is a valuable start-to-finish resource.

The Journal of School Leadership is broadening the conversation about schools and leadership and is currently accepting manuscripts. We welcome manuscripts based on cutting-

edge research from a wide variety of theoretical perspectives and methodological orientations. The editorial team is particularly interested in working with international authors, authors from traditionally marginalized populations, and in work that is relevant to practitioners around the world. Growing numbers of educators and professors look to the six bimonthly issues to: deal with problems directly related to contemporary school leadership practice teach courses on school leadership and policy use as a quality reference in writing articles about school leadership and improvement.

This book addresses the needs of researchers who want to conduct surveys online. Issues discussed include sampling from online populations, developing online and mobile questionnaires, and administering electronic surveys, are unique to digital surveys. Others, like creating reliable and valid survey questions, data analysis strategies, and writing the survey report, are common to all survey environments. This single resource captures the particulars of conducting digital surveys from start to finish.

How do technology and organization interact to shape organizational structures and processes? What organizational, political and social processes constrain technological development? What forces shape the articulation of organizational and technological systems? Answering these and other pivotal questions, this volume centres on the role of theory for advancing our knowledge of communication technology in organizations at several levels - micro, group and macro. The distinguished contributors examine richly diverse topics, including telecommunications, communication networks and new media, the use of group decision support systems and discretionary databases.

Providing a practical and step-by-step guide to collecting and managing qualitative data, this book focuses on the three most often used forms of qualitative methods: participant observation, in-depth interviews, and focus groups. Designed to be very applied, this textbook includes many checklists and tips for how to use each technique while doing research. It also includes numerous real-life examples and cases so that the reader will benefit from seeing the broader picture. *Collecting Qualitative Data: A Field Manual* is intended both for beginning researchers and the more experienced research collector.

Microcomputer Applications in Qualitative Research critically surveys the many ways microcomputers and programmes can be used to further qualitative social research. The author focuses on the liabilities and benefits of using this technology for research purposes and provides a generic, conceptual approach rather than a how-to guide to specific computers and programmes. Underlying every chapter is the conviction that microcomputer technology can only be useful in qualitative studies if its limitations, including its potentially negative or constraining impact, are kept in mind. The impact of microcomputer technology on qualitative research is considered in its relation to society as a whole.

This book constitutes the revised selected papers of the 8th International Workshop on Data Privacy Management, DPM 2013, and the 6th International Workshop on Autonomous and Spontaneous Security, SETOP 2013, held in Egham, UK, in September 2013 and co-located with the 18th European Symposium on Research in Computer Security (ESORICS 2013). The volume contains 13 full papers selected out of 46 submissions and 1 keynote lecturer from the DPM workshop and 6 full papers together with 5 short papers selected among numerous submissions to the SETOP workshop. The papers cover topics related to the management of privacy-sensitive information and automated configuration of security, focusing in particular on system-level privacy policies, administration of sensitive identifiers, data integration and privacy, engineering authentication and authorization, mobile security and

vulnerabilities.

After showing why ordinary regression analysis is not appropriate for investigating dichotomous or otherwise 'limited' dependent variables, this volume examines three techniques which are well suited for such data. It reviews the linear probability model and discusses alternative specifications of non-linear models.

Communication creates organizations, and the ways individuals communicate determines the functions and processes of organizations. Understanding communication challenges is necessary in order to understand organizational successes and organizational change. Transformative Practice and Research in Organizational Communication is an essential reference publication featuring the latest scholarly research on the practice of organizational communication. The chapters cover a range of topics such as business expertise, social media, and capitalism. This book is ideally designed for academicians, students, professionals, and managers seeking current research on organizational communication practices.

This book is a call to action. We spend about eighty percent of our day at work, the rest is at home. If we have a bad day at work we are likely to take that negativity home with us and vice versa. It is of paramount importance that we create healthy environments in the spaces that most affect our lives by giving of our best and receiving the like in return. The 5 Chairs is a powerful and systematic method which helps us master our own behaviours and manage the behaviours of others. To be a good leader is to contribute to the success and happiness of everyone, at work and at home, on a conscious level. The 5 Chairs offer 5 Choices. Which will you choose?"One of the most practical books on emotional intelligence that I have ever read."Richard Barrett, Chairman and Founder of the Barrett Values Centre."Louise's work is for people with the intelligence and humility to believe that in life one can always improve, one can try to understand before judging and one can listen to other people's convictions no matter how diverse. In an increasingly multicultural, globalised world where managing diversity is key to success, Louise's guidelines should be a moral obligation."Franco Moschetti CEO, Axel Global Business, previously CEO of Amplifon Ltd"The 5 Chair experience is powerful. After reading the book you feel more equipped, excited even, to manage your daily behaviours and conversations in a completely new way, both at work and at home. It's a real game changer."David Trickey CEO at TCO International and Partner at Viral Change TM" Louise's groundbreaking book is for anyone who is interested in bringing more empathy, emotional intelligence and consciousness into their career (and into their daily life). The examples in this insightful book are practical and easy to integrate, and it's a must-read for anyone who wants to be an inspiring and more effective Leader."Ellen Looyen, Bestselling Author, "Branded for Life!"

Gatekeeping is one of the media's central roles in public life: people rely on mediators to transform information about billions of events into a manageable number of media messages. This process determines not only which information is selected, but also what the content and nature of messages, such as news, will be. Gatekeeping Theory describes the powerful process through which events are covered by the mass media, explaining how and why certain information either passes through gates or is closed off from media attention. This book is essential for understanding how even single, seemingly trivial gatekeeping decisions can come together to shape an audience's view of the world, and illustrates what is at stake in the process.

The true meaning of investment discipline is to trade only when you rationally expect that you will achieve your desired objective. Accordingly, managers must thoroughly understand why they trade. Because trading is a zero-sum game, good investment discipline also requires that managers understand why their counterparties trade. This book surveys the many reasons why people trade and identifies the implications of the zero-sum game for investment discipline. It also identifies the origins of liquidity and thus of transaction costs, as well as when active investment strategies are profitable. The book then explains how managers must measure and control transaction costs to perform well. Electronic trading systems and electronic trading strategies now dominate trading in exchange markets throughout the world. The book identifies why speed is of such great importance to electronic traders, how they obtain it, and the trading strategies they use to exploit it. Finally, the book analyzes many issues associated with electronic trading that currently concern practitioners and regulators.

Serves as an index to Eric reports [microform].

The Second Edition of *Case Studies in Organizational Communication: Ethical Perspectives and Practices*, by Dr. Steve May, integrates ethical theory and practice to help strengthen readers' awareness, judgment, and action in organizations by exploring ethical dilemmas in a diverse range of well-known business cases.

This volume represents the proceedings of the 2013 International Conference on Innovation, Communication and Engineering (ICICE 2013). This conference was organized by the China University of Petroleum (Huadong/East China) and the Taiwanese Institute of Knowledge Innovation, and was held in Qingdao, Shandong, P.R. China, October 26 - November 1, 2013. The conference received 653 submitted papers from 10 countries, of which 214 papers were selected by the committees to be presented at ICICE 2013. The conference provided a unified communication platform for researchers in a wide range of fields from information technology, communication science, and applied mathematics, to computer science, advanced material science, design and engineering. This volume enables interdisciplinary collaboration between science and engineering technologists in academia and industry as well as networking internationally. Consists of a book of abstracts (260 pp.) and a USB flash card with full papers (912 pp.).

Written as an introduction for beginning students, this book offers a thorough, yet lively, overview of human communication in all its aspects. Accessibly written and assuming no prior knowledge of the discipline *Communication: An Introduction* offers a thorough, yet lively, examination of all aspects of human communication, including: a summary of its nature, form and function; a detailed analysis of all the levels of communication; a description and overview of the different traditions of communication studies; and a consideration of the future of communication - as a phenomenon and as a field of research.

"*Collections: A Journal for Museum and Archives Professionals*" is a multi-disciplinary peer-reviewed journal dedicated to the discussion of all aspects of handling, preserving, researching, and organizing collections. Curators, archivists, collections managers, preparators, registrars, educators, students, and others contribute.

This short, easy to read introduction to grounded theory will help you to employ the method in your research project. Uwe Flick discusses each stage of the process of doing grounded theory research, including formulating a research question through

analysis of data, theoretical sampling, sorting and saturation, data collection, coding and forming theories from data.

Comprehensive Behavior Management: Schoolwide, Classroom, and Individualized Approaches supports teachers in preventing management problems and responding to unwanted behavior when it occurs in classrooms. The text offers a comprehensive presentation of three levels of behavior management strategies: individual, classroom, and schoolwide, all three of which contribute to a positive learning environment. A social learning emphasis in which human behavior is viewed within an ecological framework is integrated throughout the text. Application of this information is supported by a range of pedagogical devices such as vignettes, examples, strategies, and activities to show teachers how to manage behavior effectively. The analysis and applications in this text cover both general education and special education strategies. The research process in this book begins with identification of the research question and proceeds through each step including planning data collection, actual collection and analysis of the data, and writing the report. This text proceeds through multiple methodologies including experimental and non-experimental, quantitative and qualitative. At every step the emphasis is on planning and executing the study. Key features:

- o Simulations and feedback that may be used in class sessions for both individual and small group participation
- o Pedagogy to help students plan and conduct a research project in an actual classroom
- o Examples that demonstrate and explain what constitutes good and poor research questions
- o Case studies and 'real life' examples related to education
- o A Student Web site that provides students with the opportunity to interact with contemporary articles.

This book provides an introduction to research that emphasizes the fundamental concepts of planning and design. It is designed to be a core text for the very first course on research methods.

'This clearly written and user-friendly book is ideal for students or researchers who wish to get a basic, but solid grasp of a topic and see how it fits with other topics. By following the links a student can easily and efficiently build up a clear conceptual map of social research' - Malcolm Williams, Reader in Sociology, Cardiff University

'This is a really useful book, written in an accessible manner for students beginning their study of social research methods. It is helpful both as an introductory text and as a reference guide for more advanced students. Most of the key topics in methods and methodology are covered and it will be suitable as a recommended text on a wide variety of courses' - Clive Seale, Brunel University

At last, an authoritative, crystal-clear introduction to research methods which really takes account of the needs of students for accessible, focused information to help with undergraduate essays and exams. The key concepts discussed here are based on a review of teaching syllabi and the authors' experience of many years of teaching. Topics range over qualitative and quantitative approaches and combine practical considerations with philosophical issues. They include several new topics, like internet and phone polling, internet searches, and visual methods. Each section is free-standing, can be tackled in order, but with links to other sections to enable students to cross-reference and build up a wider understanding of central research methods. To facilitate comprehension and aid study, each section begins with a definition. It is followed by a summary of key points with key words and guides to further reading and up-to-date examples. The book is a major addition to undergraduate reading lists. It is reliable, allows for easy transference to essays and

exams and easy to use, and exceptionally clearly written for student consumption. The book answers the needs of all those who find research methods daunting, and for those who have dreamt of an ideal introduction to the subject.

Written with the needs and goals of a novice researcher in mind, this fully updated Third Edition of *Designing Surveys* by Johnny Blair, Ronald F. Czaja, and Edward A. Blair provides an accurate account of how modern surveys are actually designed and conducted. Much more than a “how-to” guide, this up-to-date and accessible book presents the material in a social science context and teaches readers to think through decisions about sample design, questionnaire development, and data collection, rather than simply following prescriptive advice that may not be appropriate to particular practical situations. In addition to providing examples of alternative procedures, *Designing Surveys* shows how classic principles and recent research guide decision-making—from setting the basic features of the survey design to implementing instrument development, testing, and data collection. The new edition covers new developments in data collection technologies, provides a more comprehensive treatment of questionnaire development and pretesting, and includes completely new chapters on sample design and selection.

A must-have volume for every communication researcher’s library, *The SAGE Sourcebook of Advanced Data Analysis Methods for Communication Research* provides an introductory treatment of various advanced statistical methods applied to research in the field of communication. Written by authors who use these methods in their own research, each chapter gives a non-technical overview of what the method is and how it can be used to answer communication-related questions or aide the researcher dealing with difficult data problems. Students and faculty interested in diving into a new statistical topic—such as latent growth modeling, multilevel modeling, propensity scoring, or time series analysis—will find each chapter an excellent springboard for acquiring the background needed to jump into more advanced, technical readings.

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An all-in-one alphabetic, numeric, skillbuilding, and keypad program with motivating graphics, games, and a word processor with timer. This software program teaches correct finger placement and builds basic skills, then works on speed and accuracy. This text provides a modern guide to the concepts and terms used in communication and media studies.

This book contains the refereed proceedings of the 5th Annual Global Innovation and Knowledge Academy, GIKA 2015, held in Valencia, Spain, in July 2015. The theme of the conference was “New Knowledge Impacts on Designing Implementable Innovative Realities.” The GIKA conference offers a unique opportunity for researchers, professionals, and students to present and exchange ideas concerning management, information systems, and business economics and see its implications in the real world. The 13 contributions accepted for GIKA 2015 were selected from 102 submissions and include research that contributes to the creation of a solid evidence base concerning new information and communication technologies for knowledge management, measuring the impact and diffusion of new technologies within organizations, and highlighting the role of new technologies and tools in the relationships between knowledge management and organizational innovation.

The director of communication is an impassioned profession that discovers which strategies are the best and the most intelligent. There are few manuals, and there are some that offer general and sparsely updated information about the change that new technologies imply. We find the literature isolated that can be directly useful. However, we will say that there is no single recipe for DirCom or communication consultants. Each one will offer different models according to the variables or factors that seem to them to be able to rectify the direction of a company according to his or her personal mood.

'This is an excellent book. It will be required reading on my methods courses' - Nigel Fielding, University of Surrey Students at postgraduate, and increasingly at undergraduate, level are required to undertake research projects and interviewing is the most frequently used research method. This book provides a comprehensive and authoritative introduction to interviewing. It covers all the issues that arise in interview work: theories of interviewing; design; application; and interpretation. Richly illustrated with relevant examples, each chapter includes handy statements of 'advantages' and 'disadvantages' of the approaches discussed.

The American Joint Committee on Cancer's Cancer Staging Manual is used by physicians throughout the world to diagnose cancer and determine the extent to which cancer has progressed. All of the TNM staging information included in this Sixth Edition is uniform between the AJCC (American Joint Committee on Cancer) and the UICC (International Union Against Cancer). In addition to the information found in the Handbook, the Manual provides standardized data forms for each anatomic site, which can be utilized as permanent patient records, enabling clinicians and cancer research scientists to maintain consistency in evaluating the efficacy of diagnosis and treatment. The CD-ROM packaged with each Manual contains printable copies of each of the book's 45 Staging Forms.

This book tackles the challenges of how to make sense of qualitative data. It offers students and researchers a hands-on guide to the practicalities of coding, comparing data, and using computer-assisted qualitative data analysis. Lastly, Gibbs shows you how to bring it all together, so you can see the steps of qualitative analysis, understand the central place of coding, ensure analytic quality and write effectively to present your results.

The mission of the International Journal of Educational Reform (IJER) is to keep readers up-to-date with worldwide developments in education reform by providing scholarly information and practical analysis from recognized international authorities. As the only peer-reviewed scholarly publication that combines authors' voices without regard for the political affiliations perspectives, or research methodologies, IJER provides readers with a balanced view of all sides of the political and educational mainstream. To this end, IJER includes, but is not limited to, inquiry based and opinion pieces on developments in such areas as policy, administration, curriculum, instruction, law, and research. IJER should thus be of interest to professional educators with decision-making roles and policymakers at all levels turn since it provides a broad-based conversation between and among policymakers, practitioners, and academicians about reform goals, objectives, and methods for success throughout the world. Readers can call on IJER to learn from an international group of reform implementers by discovering what they can do that has actually worked. IJER can also help readers to

understand the pitfalls of current reforms in order to avoid making similar mistakes. Finally, it is the mission of IJER to help readers to learn about key issues in school reform from movers and shakers who help to study and shape the power base directing educational reform in the U.S. and the world.

Quality underpins the success (or failure) of any piece of qualitative research. In this book, Uwe Flick takes you through the steps in method and design to ensure quality and reliability throughout the entire research process. Showing hands-on what it means to 'manage' quality, this book puts the spotlight on practical questions and steps researchers can use to continually interrogate, improve and demonstrate quality in your research.

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