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To Mark and Catherine
Introduction

- Conducts by reviewing the skills needed by interviewers.
- Details and develops the curriculum of focus groups.
- Reviews issues involved in ensuring good interviews.

Chapter 3

- Focuses on understanding the motivations behind interviewing.
- Recounts the history of interviewing.
- Provides general advice for interviewing, including the kinds of questions.
- Considers the circumstances under which the different types of interviews are most appropriate.
- Discusses different types of interviews, differentiating them in terms of style.

Chapter 4

- Interviews (Surveys and Questionnaires).
- Provides a methodological framework for understanding survey design and implementation.
The French philosopher Michel de Certeau (1925-1986) has described a form of subversive consumption, characterized by a conscious, yet playful, act of appropriating and reinterpreting cultural symbols and practices. In this spirit, de Certeau argues that consumption is not just passive, but actively constructed by individuals who seek to express their identity and challenge the dominant cultural narratives. His work has influenced various fields, including cultural studies, sociology, and anthropology, by offering a critical perspective on the role of everyday practices and the consumption of goods and services. De Certeau's philosophy suggests that consumers are not merely reacting to the market forces but are actively engaged in a process of meaning-making and identity formation. This approach encourages a deeper understanding of how individuals negotiate and resist the dominant cultural discourses through their consumption practices.
General advice for interviewers:

Successful applicants are often those who have prepared well. It's important to understand the type of work you are applying for and have a clear understanding of the skills and experience required. Prepare your answers to common interview questions and be ready to provide examples of your experiences. During the interview, listen carefully to the questions and take your time to answer thoughtfully.

Advantages and disadvantages of interviews:

Interviews offer the possibility of shortlisting candidates but can also be time-consuming and resource-intensive. They provide an opportunity to assess a candidate's experience and determine if they are a good fit for the role. However, they can also be subjective and may not always accurately reflect a candidate's abilities.

Question focus:

To ask questions that are relevant to the position and to assess a candidate's qualifications, it's important to have a clear understanding of the requirements and responsibilities of the role. Start with open-ended questions to allow the candidate to provide detailed responses and then follow up with more specific questions to probe for additional information.
The items of questions

Interview may be subject to change during the course of the interview.

Interviewer can ask questions that are not in the

Box 9.2

Content of the Interview

There are various kinds of questions should be asked. Those are summarized in

Three main types are used in research interviews: closed (or fixed-alternative) open and mixed. Closed questions, as the fixed-alternative had suggested,

Long questions. The interviewer may remember only part of the question.

Questions to avoid in interviews

Allow you to go into more depth of clear up any misunderstandings.

Are leading.

The answers of open-ended questions are clearly

When in other sections is appropriate to discuss them there.

As open-ended questions are probably more commonly used in interviews

True or False. (checklist/desciption/yes/no answer)

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Carrying Out Different Types of Interviews

Structured Interviews

1. Introduction
   - The purpose of the interview
   - Introduction introduces herself, explains purpose of interview

2. Non-Interview Questions
   - Fears, non-interview questions at the beginning to:
     a. Break the ice
     b. Gather initial information on background

3. Time
   - Fears, non-interview questions at the beginning to:
     a. Break the ice
     b. Gather initial information on background

4. Conduct Interview
   - Conduct interview, asks questions to gather information

5. Close
   - Conduct interview, asks questions to gather information

6. Close
   - Conduct interview, asks questions to gather information

7. Close
   - Conduct interview, asks questions to gather information

Closed-Ended Questions

8. Information
   - Gather information on background
   - Conduct interview, asks questions to gather information

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Open-Ended Questions

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The questionnaire is compiled of structured and open-ended questions.
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Example of structured schedule for

Box 9.3

structured interview

Unstructured interviews

Schedule for semi-structured interviews.

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Box 9.4: Introducing Yourself: A List of Self-Instructions

1. Explain purpose and name of the study to the respondent, telling them:

2. Ask for assurance that their response will be treated as strictly confidential and that no names or identifying information will be used.

3. Explain that their response will be treated as confidential and that any information they provide will be used only for research purposes.

4. Explain that the study is being conducted in order to gain insight into people's experiences and that the responses will be kept anonymous.

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Informant Interviews

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Advantages and disadvantages of focus groups

Advantages
1. A highly efficient technique for gathering data on specific topics
2. Enables the identification of emerging themes and trends
3. Provides rich, detailed insights
4. Participants feel more comfortable expressing their views
5. The method is relatively inexpensive and flexible and can be used quickly
6. The method is effective in eliciting in-depth and rich data

Disadvantages
1. A high level of commitment from participants
2. The cost and time involved in conducting a focus group
3. The results may not be generalizable
4. Participants may feel pressured to conform
5. Selecting the right participants can be challenging
6. The method may not be suitable for all topics

Focus groups

Focus group participants are often referred to as a panel of experts — which is a good description of the group. However, some of the advantages of focus groups are not easy to capture with box 9. For some of these advantages, the barriers to participation may be lower than expected. These barriers may include difficulty in scheduling, cost, and lack of interest in the topic. However, focus groups are effective in gathering information on specific topics and are useful in understanding consumer behavior and preferences. Focus groups are also effective in assessing the potential success of new products or services.
Homogeneous or heterogeneous groups?

Box 9.6

- Can read to a common participant description of the group process.
- Can read to the key occupations expressed by some members.
- Can interpret other group members to look at the topic in a different way.
- Can summarise and summarise the discussion, which can support the position of experience with.

Heterogeneous groups

- May read in a fragmented, uncoordinated, simple, or position of opinion.
- Gives a sense of status or expression of conflict or concurrence.
- Encourages or expresses of ideas and experiences.
- Have a common decisional position or experience which.

Homogeneous groups

- Has no evidence or basis to express the same point of view.
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The page appears to be discussing the methods used in interviews and the data analysis process. It mentions the importance of understanding the context and the validity of the data collected. The text suggests that interviews should be conducted in a focused and in-depth manner to capture meaningful insights.

**Methodological issues arising from focus groups**

Box 9.7

**Analyzing interview data**

(Adapted from Sim, 1998, p. 351)

1. What is the most important question?
2. How will the data be analyzed to identify patterns and themes?
3. Will there be a coding framework for the data?
4. How will the data be organized and presented?
5. Will there be a final report of the findings?
6. How will the data be shared with the participants?

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**Reflections and recommendations**

The process of conducting interviews and analyzing the data requires careful planning and execution to ensure the quality and validity of the results. It is important to have a clear understanding of the research objectives and the data collection methods used. The data analysis should be systematic and thorough to identify meaningful patterns and insights.
Skills in Interviewing

Interviewing data, creating garments, andquilting are vital skills required.

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- Patterns
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Preparing for an Interview
- Research the company
- Prepare questions

Answers to be
- Short and concise
- Relevant to the position

Questions to ask:
- Why am I interviewing here?
- How do I prepare?
- What are my qualifications for this position?
- What are my strengths?
- What are my weaknesses?
- What is your experience in sales?
- How do you handle stress?
- What are your future career goals?
- What are your salary expectations?