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Description

This new book will provide students, researchers and particularly practitioners, with real examples of applied qualitative research from research design to dissemination. It combines both theory and practice to provide readers with the theoretical underpinnings of many different approaches to qualitative research whilst also providing a very clear example of how and why it was used.

Previously, in order for a practitioner or students to explore the multifarious assortment of approaches to qualitative research, they would need to identify and read a great many scholarly articles from both within LIS publications and across many other disciplines.

The authors will provide access to this detailed account of qualitative research in a single volume to share the approach and personal reflections on how that approach has 'worked' in practice. This will be achieved by applying the experience and knowledge of qualitative researchers across the LIS discipline and presenting the reader with a detailed and logical explanation of each approach.

This book contains a wealth of advice for researchers, but also offers an important refresher for practitioners. It will be useful for all library professionals and information managers.

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Editors closing remarks

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