**Useful websites: Qualitative methods**

* [Qualitative quantitative](http://www.simplypsychology.org/qualitative-quantitative.html)

Introduction to the differences between qualitative and quantitative data.

* [Interviews in education research](http://www.edu.plymouth.ac.uk/resined/interviews/inthome.htm)

University website containing detailed coverage of the main types of qualitative methods including observations, interviews and case studies.

* [Center for social research methods](http://www.socialresearchmethods.net/kb/index.php)

An excellent site which provides a detailed consideration of the main kinds of methods used in social research. Particularly useful coverage of the philosophical distinctions behind methodological approaches (positivism, post-positivism) and ethical considerations. Tie-ins to print material provided.

* [Using thematic analysis in psychology](http://eprints.uwe.ac.uk/11735/2/)

Electronic copy of Braun, V. and Clarke, V. (2006) Using thematic analysis in psychology. *Qualitative Research in Psychology*, 3(2). pp. 77–101. Provides a detailed consideration of this analytic technique used by many qualitative researchers.

* [Patients’ experiences and perceptions on support to self-manage their long-term condition](http://www.networks.nhs.uk/nhs-networks/commissioning-for-long-term-conditions/systematisation-of-self-care-and-self-management/self-care-resources/Sheffield%20LTC%20patient%20experience%20focus%20group%20report.pdf)

A detailed report of a piece of action research carried out in the health field using a focus group discussion and analysed via thematic analysis.