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CONSTRUCTING QUESTIONS IN A QUESTIONNAIRE

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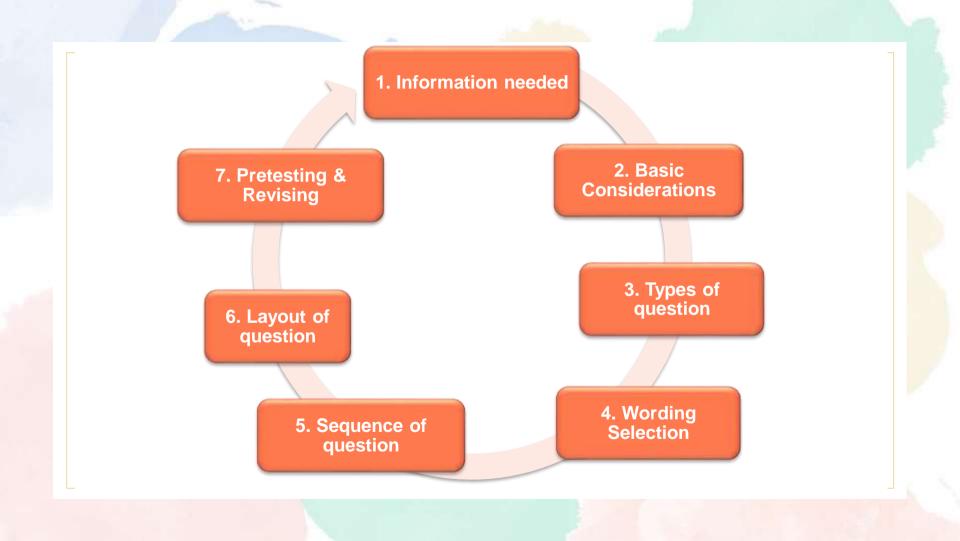
WHAT IS A QUESTIONNAIRE?

- A written list of questions that are answered by a number of people so that information can be collected from the answers (Oxford Learners' Dictionaries)
- Questionnaire is widely used in collecting information through survey
- A type of research instrument used in collecting primary data

ELEMENTS OF QUESTIONNAIRE

- 1. Title of your research
- 2. General introduction of a questionnaire
- 3. Specific instruction of a questionnaire
- 4. List parts in of a questionnaire
- 5. Estimation of time to fill in a questionnaire
- 6. Additional Information (Full information about the researcher and supervisor)
- 7. Questionnaire Items
- 8. Appreciation to the respondents

STEPS IN CONSTRUCTING A QUESTIONNAIRE



Information Needed

- What is the purpose of your survey?
- 2. What information are you looking for?



Research Objectives And Research Questions

Basic Considerations



Questionnaire Relevancy

- O What should be asked?
- Are the question asked really important?
- Does the respondent have the desired information?



Questionnaire Accuracy

- Are the question use appropriate wording and sequence?
- Are the questions understandable by the respondents?
- Are the questions unbiased and unambiguous?

Types of Question

1. Close-Ended Question (Fixed-Alternative Question)

Questions in which respondents are given specific, limitedalternative responses, and asked to choose the closest to their own viewpoint.

2. Open-Ended Question

Questions that pose some problem and ask the to answer in their own words.

Closed-Ended Questions



Dichotomous Question

E.g. Yes or No; True or False



E.g. Range





Determinant-Choice Question

E.g. Multiple-choice

Pictorial Question

E.g. Attached images



Open-Ended Question

Answer could be short or long depends on the question asked

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o E.g.:
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What?

Why?

How?

Please tell us....

Wording Selection

- i) Avoid complexity questions
- ii) Avoid loaded and leaded questions
- iii) Avoid ambiguity questions
- iv) Avoid double-barrelled questions
- v) Avoid assumptions
- vi) Avoid burdensome questions
- vii) Make variation in questions

Sequence of Question

- Use logical order
- Begin with introduction of the topic before discussing other core parts of the topic

Layout of Question

- Divides into several parts in the questionnaire
- E.g. Demographic, Understanding, Product Satisfaction
- Printed or Digital Version

Pretesting & Revising

- Supervisors
- Appointed Experts

IMPACT OF IRRELEVANT AND INACCURATE QUESTIONS

Inaccurate results

Distorted findings

Inability to answer your research questions

Inability to validate the results

Misleading recommendations and decisions

Wasted resources

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