

Evidence

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What Counts as Evidence?

- Make a difference between opinion and science
- Determine what kind of data is needed
- See that you can support or contradict your argument
- Be systematic not random!



Evidence in Practitioner Research can be

- Observation
- Interviews
- Focus groups
- Surveys
- Assessment results
- Experimental, although this raises ethical issues ...



How much do you need?

- A sampling of 15 persons is usually enough.
- All significant opinions are to be represented.



Balance

- helps demonstrate that you are aware that other views are possible!
 - shows you are aware of limitations of your evidence.
- Ask yourself if it is possible to generalise from your evidence or if it is specific to your own situation.
- ...which is why you need to refer to literature etc.



The End

