#### Welcome!

Today's Topic: How to Design a Questionnaire

#### **Starter**

#### **Travel Patterns Questionnaire**

**Instructions:** Stand up! Use the questionnaire to find out about your classmates. You will **talk** to **four** different people. **Record their answers** on the questionnaire. You have five minutes!

Will you do this activity sitting down? How many people will you talk to? Will you write their answers? Begin!

# Learning Objective

• Today you will gather and record evidence using primary sources.

# What is a questionnaire?

- An form or a way to
  - collect answers to questions
  - collect factual data
  - gathers information or measures it
- A series of written questions/items in a rational order

# Advantages of Questionnaires

- Why would you use a questionnaire?
- Can reach a large number of people relatively easily and economically
- Provide quantifiable answers that can be counted
- Relatively easy to analyse figures

For example:

- 5 people answer A,
- 2 people answered B
- 1 answered C

# How can you reach people with a questionnaire?

- When you use a questionnaire, do you always have to meet the person?
- Are there other ways to conduct a questionnaire?
- Face to face questions
- Telephone questions
- By post
- E-mail/Internet

# The Major Decisions in Questionnaire Design

- 1. What should be asked?
- 2. How should each question be phrased?
- 3. In what sequence should the questions be arranged?
- 4. What questionnaire layout will best serve the research objectives?
- 5. How should the questionnaire be pre-tested? Does the questionnaire need to be revised?

### Making a Questionnaire

Prepare a draft

Pretest

Revise

Shorten and revise again

Make a short questionnaire to find which cellphone the most popular in your class

# Cell phone questionnaire

Which cell phone do you have?

- A Samsung
- B I Phone
- C Nokia
- D HTC

Please tick one box

# Quality aims in survey research

Goal is to collect information that is:

- Valid: measures the quantity or idea that is supposed to be measured
- **Reliable:** measures the quantity or idea in a consistent or reproducible manner
- Unbiased: measures the quantity or concept in a way that does not systematically under- or overestimate the true value

#### **General Principles**

**Open-ended** questions

Generate answers that are more information-rich

Generate answers that are more difficult to categorize and analyze

**Closed** questions

generate answers that are specific and easy to count

Closed questions can lead to incorrect answers

#### Advantages of written questionnaire:

- Much less time is required and a greater number can be surveyed
- Less potential for observer bias
- Anonymity may minimize bias, and encourage more honest responses to questions

#### Advantages of verbal interview:

- -Interviewer can clarify unclear questions
- -Literacy is not required
- Interviewer can collect more complex answers and observations
- Interviewer can minimize missing and inappropriate responses

#### Have a marvelous day!



# Example – What sort of leader are you?

Как мы должны относиться к другим людям?

- а) Ко всем людям нужно относиться одинаково независимо от возраста, пола, цвета кожи
- b) Мы должны относится к людям уважительно до тех пор, пока они понимают правила, по которым мы живем.
- с) Мы должны относится к друзьям/соседям/землякам как к братьям – объединенным как одна нация.