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Familiarizes you with the basic types of research design used in second language studies

Gives you a genuine 'feel' for what doing research is like, by giving you specific roles (e.g. research subject, data collector, data analyst, reporter) within a variety of mini-studies

Explains different research types in detail: why they are used; how they are designed; what the different stages are for carrying them out; and how to evaluate them.

Introduces you to some of the classic research studies into second language learning and encourages you to analyse and discuss them.

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Doing Second Language Research provides an accessible introduction to language learning research, and a 'feel' for what research activities are like, by engaging the reader in several roles within a variety of mini-studies across a range of research design types, both quantitative and qualitative. Roles include that of research subject, research organizer, research data, research data collector, research data analyst, and research reporter. The book systematically explains the characteristics and purposes of various types of research, terminology, the logic underlying selection, and the steps typical of each type of research design. It also offers an introduction to some of the classic research studies by engaging readers in thinking about and discussing these studies as well as participating as subjects in adapted versions of them.