COURSE NAME **Name: _____**

LAB 1: Developing a Qualitative Research Strategy

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Directions: Work as a group to start developing a sound research strategy based on the sources you've all brought to class. The work done today can and should serve as the foundation for your qualitative work this term.

Briefly explain the source you've brought to the group and discuss its connection to the social issues/topics/phenomena important to you. As a group, identify what social objects (actors, places, interactions, values, cultures, etc.) are at play. Outline/map how these social objects connect below:

What questions come to mind about the processes mapped above? As a group, construct three different types of questions that follow the templates offered in Key Concept 1.1 (p. 9).

Comment [DN1]: Bryman (2012)

Are there any concepts (words/ideas) in the question(s) above that may require further explanation? As a group, establish an introductory definition of these concepts. Briefly consider how one might identify or isolate these sensitizing concepts through observation/interview.

What subjects will be relevant to research of this type? What is it about these subjects' standpoint that offers situated knowledge of the phenomena involved?

What site(s) will be relevant to research of this type? Anticipate aspects of this context that will be important to your research question(s).

After some consideration of the group work done, state your initial research question below. For review of research questions in qualitative research, see Thinking deeply 17.2, p 385.

Comment [DN2]: Bryman (2012)