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*Drawing on more than 40 years of experience conducting applied social science research and program evaluation, author Michael Quinn Patton has crafted the most comprehensive and systematic book on qualitative research and evaluation methods, inquiry frameworks, and analysis options available today.*

So, here are my top ten developments in qualitative evaluation inquiry over the last decade: Powerful qualitative software Software features and capabilities have expanded greatly but the learning curve remains steep. There is also confusion that qualitative software actually analyzes data: Software is a data management tool. Human beings still have to organize, interpret, and make meaning from the data. Qualitative inquiry is already being profoundly influenced by social media opportunities as social media becomes a tool both for data collection and communicating results. Ethical challenges abound The in-depth, engaged, interactive, and interpersonal nature of qualitative fieldwork increases dramatically the challenges of creating and following appropriate ethical standards. Institutional Review Boards are struggling to determine how to apply traditional standardized ethical research standards to qualitative designs that are emergent, naturalistic, and dynamic. Anticipating impact on participants Confidentiality with small sample sizes Appropriate compensation—particularly in circumstances where their involvement is more than simple data collection. Where does the principle of reciprocity lead us? Lack of qualitative expertise and experience on review boards. Mixed methods The former qualitative-quantitative debate has realized rapprochement around the triangulated value of mixed methods. However, in actual implementation, mixed methods manifest more as parallel play like two-year olds not yet able to play together than as genuinely integrated inquiry and analysis. Data visualization Qualitative inquiry is rapidly incorporating a variety of data visualization techniques and tools. The two most recent issues of *New Directions for Evaluation* Issues and , Fall and Winter are devoted to data visualization. Stephanie Evergreen has led AEA in pioneering data visualization as a key competency for evaluators. Evaluation has brought to qualitative inquiry generally a pragmatic, utilitarian orientation. The intersection of evaluation and qualitative inquiry is being shaped by: Short, tight timelines Large multi-site studies Demands for speed However, qualitative evaluation is only realizing a fraction of the potential contributions of in-depth qualitative field methods: Participatory or collaborative evaluation.

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