

Therapeutic Communication Gerontology Assignment

Interview Process Chart

Question and Question Number: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> List the question you asked below 	Student communication: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> List 1 verbal communication skill used List 1 non-verbal communication skill used. 	Interviewee communication: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> List 1 verbal communication skill the patient used List 1 non-verbal communication skill the interviewee used 	Student thoughts & feelings related to the communication <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe 1 thought or feeling related to the communication
1 – What are the most important lessons you have learned in your life?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clear & enunciating words Smiling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient says “Umm” Arms are crossed/closed off 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Both Bill & Caroline said “To trust and Obey God” as an important life lesson that shows how they feel in their faith. I felt like they were both in a good spot.
2 – What life advice would you give to future generations?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tone of voice (speak up) Eye Contact 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Politeness & Respectful Minimal eye contact 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Both Bill & Caroline had the same answer “Make up your mind & Ut you whole heart into it” which I thought was interesting. I can relate to this easily
3 – If you could go back in to any age, what would it be?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Active listener Gestures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asking Questions Smiling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Neither Bill or Caroline wanted to go back to a different age! Which I found surprising, They both love where they are at.
4 – What do you remember about the place you grew up?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ask for clarification Smiling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Repeating answers Hand gestures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Both grow up in separate places and meet through ministry. I could still see their passion and love through listening to them.
5 – Which invention from your lifetime that amazed you?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slow Pace Body language 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tone of Voice (Louder) Folded hands 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bill said “Television” which made me realize that there hasn’t been a huge amount of difference between now and when they were younger.

Step Two: Interview Evaluation-Reflective Activity

Step Two Directions: After interviewing an older adult, students are to complete a self-reflective evaluation. Answer all FOUR questions listed below. Complete in full sentences with proper clarity and mechanics. Follow the rubric for full guidelines.

1. What are the major take-home lessons after interviewing an older adult?
 - a. Bill and Caroline valued each other. Since they are both still alive and able to live together no matter the place there where they were so happy just to stay together, during COVID-19, they got separated and were unable to live together, and both are very happy to go back to living together.
2. How can a nurse adapt their practice to be more responsive to the unique needs of an older adult client?
 - a. Developing strong communication skills will help with an older adult client. Using clear, respectful language, active listening, and allowing extra time for responses. Nurses can create individualized meetings that is distract to each patient and help with a holistic care setting.
3. In what way is a student building their nursing skills by interviewing patients including older adults?
 - a. Students can build their communication skills while interviewing patients along with critical thinking and problem-solving. While listening to the patient's responses and adapting to each question. Along with growing your people skills and confidence to go and talk to patients you do not have a connection with.
4. Reflect on one question and expand on how the communication could improve.
 - a. During this interview, I probably could have found a way to sit down instead of standing at the end of their beds so that I did not look like I was standing above them/over them. They both seemed to like talking over each other instead of waiting to speak so maybe I could have asked specific questions to either Bill or Caroline.