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(#7) Unit 1. The Case- Study Method.

Case-Study Method is used to measure descriptions and explanations of a person's manner of life and experiences over a long period of time. This method is also used to find out if the person would need treatment for their problem. The strengths of the case-study is that the study can also lead to finding out things that were not sought after from the beginning. Finding out the matter of concern through this method, can be beneficial and also lead into another direction in terms of new testable assumption for further research; for example, a person who is involved in a case-study maybe a violent person, and because of this study a finding shows that the person had experienced physical abuse in their childhood. This insight now becomes an open door for development of additional opinion of the person in the case-study.

The weakness of this study is lack of control, it is the main field that makes an assumed conclusion before the case-study is completed; for example, a person who is the study in this case may first appear to be unfriendly at the start of the case-study. It is not so easy to draw up a conclusion that this person is anti-social, further in depth study should be done to determine if the person is in fact anti-social.