**Study Questions**

**Chapter Two: Review of the Literature**

1. Assess and explain why and how a topic for research is chosen: How does the researcher understand if the topic *can and should* be researched? p. 25
2. Contrast the several ways a researcher can gain insight into topic or topics for research. pp. 25-27
3. Identify and explain the use and forms of the literature review. pp. 28-31, Table 2.1
4. Report the ideas of planning different forms of research and how to use literature. p. 31
5. Describe the steps in conducting a literature review. pp. 31-32
6. Several computerized data bases include: ERIC, Google Scholar, PubMed, ProQuest, Sociological Abstracts, Social Sciences Citation Index, and PsycINFO. Choose one of these data bases to examine and demonstrate its applicability to a research topic. pp. 32-35
7. Two suggestions are made for the literature review—priorities for selecting literature material and developing a literature map. How do priorities relate to the development of a literature map? pp. 35-40
8. Write an abstract (short concise paragraph) of a study included in your literature map and show how it fits into your overall plan. Use APA format. pp. 38-42, Examples 2.1, 2.2
9. Remember that a literature review implies the use of definitions of terms; therefore, as you consider specific terms in a study, create a list of 5-10 terms you have encountered in your readings and provide a definition of each. pp. 42-45, Examples 2.3, 2.4
10. Identify and write about a topic that seems well designed for a quantitative or mixed methods study. pp. 46-48