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What did you do to achieve the research aims?

Why did you choose this particular approach over others?

How does it relate to your epistemological and ontological positions?

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What tools did you use to collect data and why? What are the implications?

When did you collect data, and from whom?

What tools have you used to analyze the data and why? What are the implications?

Are there ethical considerations to take into account?