

RE: Greetings from Chao-yo

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I'm sorry for the slow reply. I have been a bit up and down with energy levels. But finally term is over! (last Friday) and I can breathe a bit more freely.

I can't think of any fun intro to qual book – maybe we should write one! (Joke, I don't have time, but it would actually be a great idea).

a couple of suggestions:

I have a comic book about ethnography called "Shane the lone ethnographer" which is pretty good.

The book by Howard Becker – Tricks of the Trade – is a good introduction to thinking sociologically which might be useful.

Another comic, an adaptation of Alpa Shah's paper on participant observation as a revolutionary praxis

<https://www.alpashah.co.uk/on-ethnography>

This is a good book for students, helping them think of ways to do their own research on things happening around them, without a lot of resources.

<https://uk.sagepub.com/en-gb/eur/qualitative-inquiry-in-everyday-life/book235498>

if I think of any more, I will let you know

I hope you are doing well. it would be fun to meet up some time.

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From: Chao-Yo Cheng (Staff) <c.cheng@bbk.ac.uk>

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Dear Flora,

I hope all is well! I want to thank you again for encouraging me to take the post at Birkbeck. I have been enjoying my time here, although often things can be challenging because I am also leading the postgraduate social research programmes.

I am wondering if I can seek your advice again on one thing -- I am trying to come up with a reading list for our incoming students. I am hoping to introduce them to some fun, non-technical readings on quantitative and qualitative social research, and ideally, these readings should not be the typical textbooks. I do know some potentially good quants books (e.g., Naked Statistics), but sadly my mind is blank for qualitative. What will be a non-technical, fun intro book for qualitative social research? I am thinking about checking your development book.

Thanks so much in advance! Will you attend the reception for the methodology's anniversary? If yes, I am looking forward to seeing you there!

Best,
Chao-yo

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