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Practice Research Skills

It's time to develop the skills you'll need to do your research! Stepping Stone 5 includes activities that will build your skills in facilitation, note-taking, active listening, asking questions, understanding data, and mapping.

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What do I do in this Stepping Stone?

Time Commitment: 3-6 sessions

A.



Develop core skills you'll need to do your research:

For surveys and working with data, use these activities:

(5.1) Tips for Conducting Surveys

(Activity 5.7) The Data-ing Game
(generating accurate, meaningful data)

For observations, use this activity:

(Activity 5.6) Show Don't Tell – Observations Practice (documenting unbiased observations)

For working with maps:

(Activity 5.8) Other Tools for Community Change: Participatory Mapping Walk Through (creating your own maps with data)

For interviews and focus groups, use these activities:

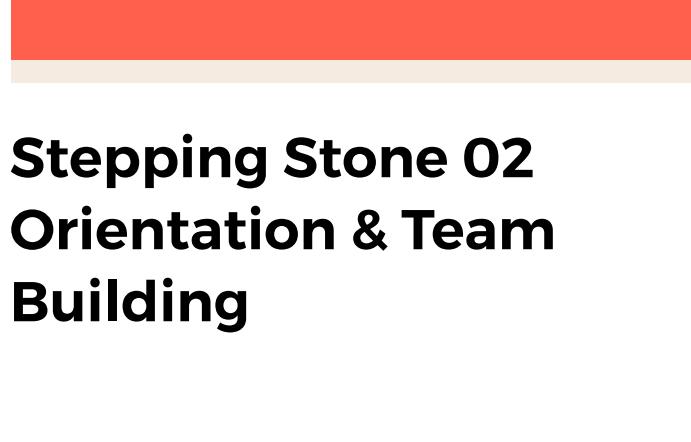
(Activity 5.2) Red Light Green Light – Follow-up Questions

(Activity 5.3) Challenging Participants

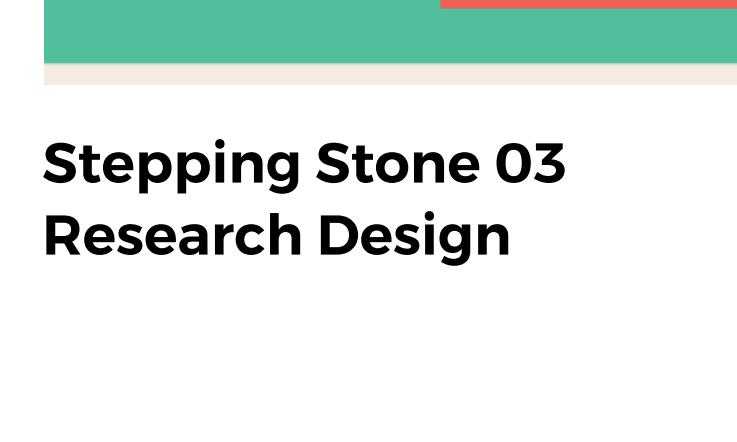
(Activity 5.4) Getting It Down: Note-Taking

(Activity 5.5) Outlining Thoughts – Taking Notes in Outline Form

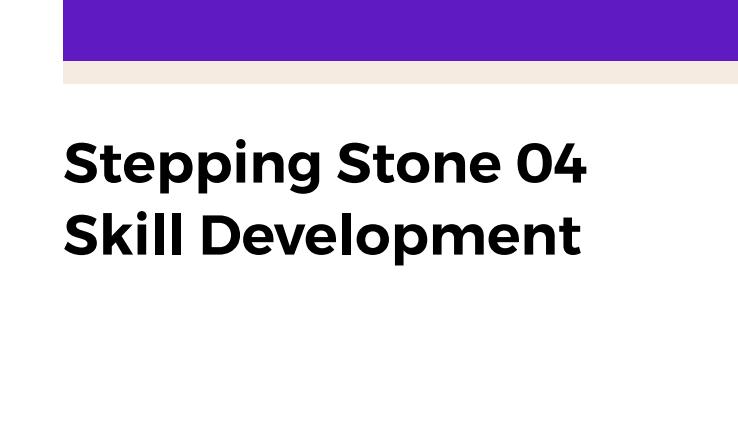
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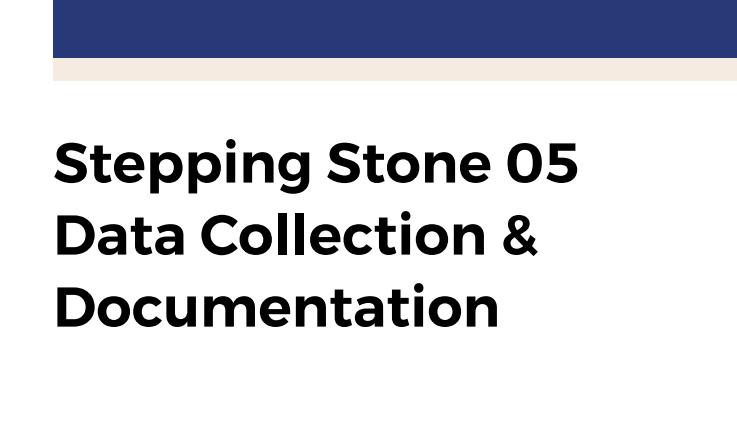
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Research Design



Stepping Stone 04
Skill Development



Stepping Stone 05
Data Collection &
Documentation



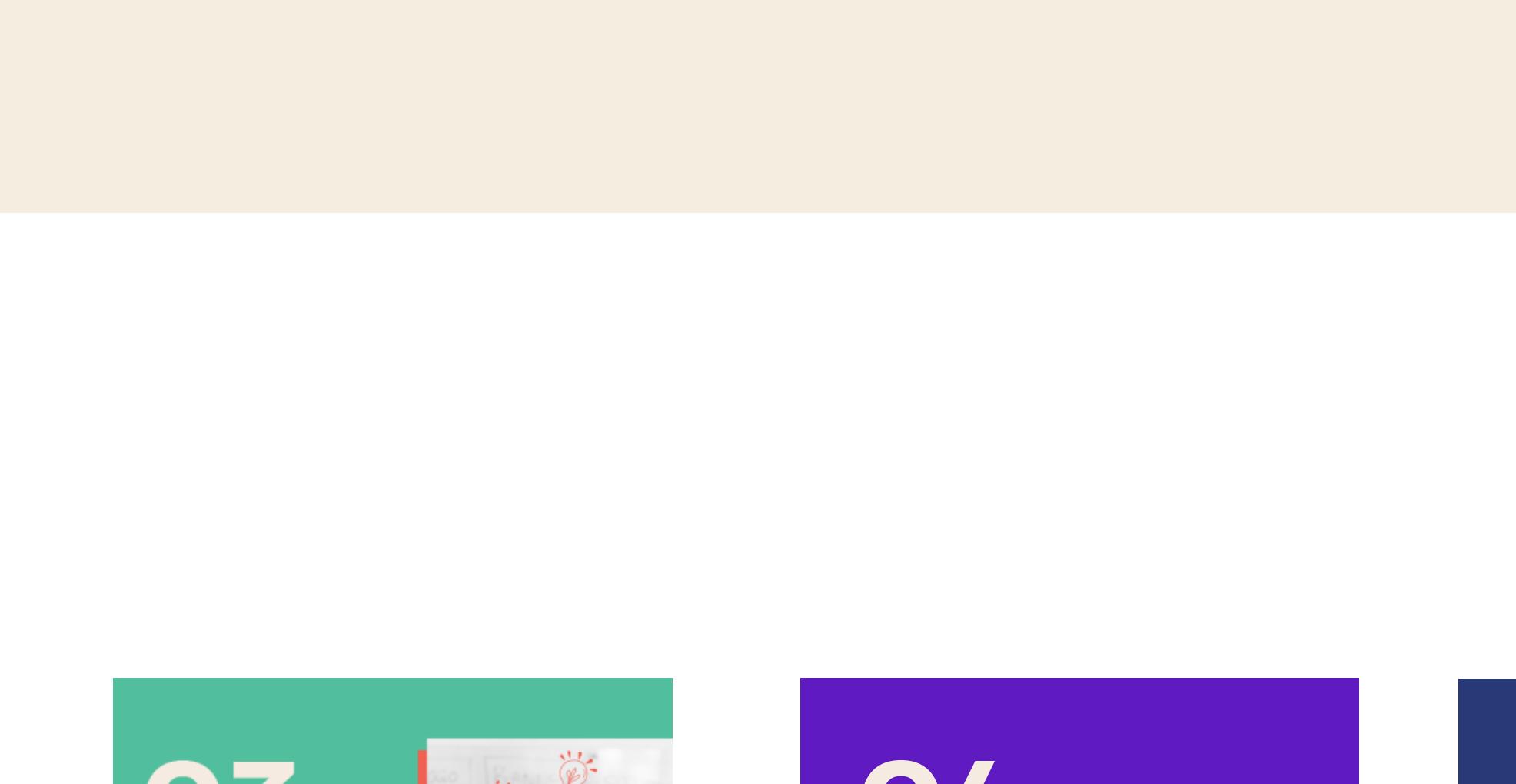
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Data Analysis

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Practice your research method and perfect your tool before data collection:

Use this as a guide:

Tips for Testing your Research Tool



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