Formulating Questions

In this inquiry-based task, you will build upon the introduction to mental illnesses and addictions presented in the Jack Talk by selecting a specific mental illness or addiction from the provided list to explore further. You will then formulate several inquiry questions that follow the criteria for effective questions outlined in class.

Process:

1. Select a Topic

Choose one mental illness or addiction from the provided list.

2. Brainstorming

Create a mind map — or another brainstorming method of your choice — to capture your initial thoughts and questions regarding your topic.

- □ Causes and Risk Factors
- □ Signs and Symptoms
- □ Diagnosis and Treatment
- □ Personal Impact
- □ Community Impact

3. Question Development

Follow the Question Formulation Technique (QFT) discussed in class.

- □ **P**roduce questions
- □ Improve questions
- □ **P**rioritize questions
- □ Reflect and revise questions
- □ Peer review
- □ Refine final guiding questions

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Product:

You should aim to have at least one question for each of the subtopics:

- □ Causes and Risk Factors
- □ Signs and Symptoms
- □ Diagnosis and Treatment
- □ Personal Impact
- □ Community Impact

Topics:

Eating disorders

- Anorexia nervosa
- Bulimia nervosa
- Binge eating
- Orthorexia

Mood disorders

- Depression
- Bipolar disorder
- Seasonal affective disorder
- Postpartum depression

Anxiety disorders

- Social anxiety disorder
- Generalized anxiety disorder

For any other topics of interest, speak to your teacher.

- Panic disorder
- Specific phobia

Personality disorders

- Borderline personality disorder
- Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder
- Antisocial personality disorder

Substance use disorders

- Alcohol Use
- Cannabis Use
- Opioid Use
- Commercial Tobacco Use

Psychotic disorders

- Schizophrenia
- Delusional disorder



Assessment Criteria:

Open-Ended Nature

- □ Do the questions encourage detailed responses and further investigation?
- □ Are the questions structured to avoid a single, straightforward answer?

Clarity and Specificity

- □ Do the questions clearly convey what information or insight is being sought?
- □ Are the questions free from vague or broad terms?

Complexity and Depth

- □ Do the questions require more than surface-level thinking or simple recall of information?
- □ How well do the questions challenge the respondent to think critically?

Exploratory Potential

- □ Do the questions allow for multiple viewpoints or interpretations?
- □ How well do the questions encourage further inquiry or exploration of related issues?

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