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Social research helps address the errors of per-sonal experience. Research standards, rules, and principles are designed to reduce the misjudgment, bias, and distorted thinking that frequently occurs with personal experience. Knowledge from Experts and Authorities. Most of what we know probably comes from our parents, teachers, and experts as well as from books, film, television, the Internet, and other media.Â Social science research is central in a â€œreality-based community.â€ It relies on people carefully studying ex-periences, events, and facts in social reality. While so-cial research helps us answer questions about the social world, it also raises new questions and may change how we look at the world as well. Science and Social Research 2 Introduction 3 Looking for Reality 4 Knowledge from Agreement Reality 4 Errors in Inquiry, and Some Solutions 6. The Foundations of Social Science 8 Theory, Not Philosophy or Belief 8 Social Regularities 9 Aggregates, Not Individuals 11 Concepts and Variables 12. The Purposes of Social Research 17 Some Dialectics of Social Research 18 Idiographic and Nomothetic Explanation 19 Inductive and Deductive Theory 21 Determinism versus Agency 23 Qualitative and Quantitative Data 24. The Research Proposal 26.Â For example, because social research technology and practices are continually changing, the book must be updated to remain current and useful. In my own teaching, I frequently find improved ways to present standard materials. Alternate Reality Games For Behavioral and Social Science Research by Ruthanna Gordon - ETC Press , 2015 Alternate reality games may be able to fill gaps left by traditional studies in the behavioral and social sciences. This book examines the potential strengths of ARG-based social science research and the challenges that remain to be overcome (4477 views).Â It provides an introduction to the fundamental concept of social science research, and complements books on specific research methods and techniques. (12442 views). The Research Methods Knowledge Base by William Trochim, James P. Donnelly - Atomic Dog , 2006 A comprehensive textbook that addresses all of the topics in a typical introductory course in social research methods.