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2012 HSC - Aboriginal Studies

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Sample 1 Question 19(b)

Students should use ethical research practices ~~be~~ such as consultation protocols, respecting Indigenous knowledge and acknowledging intellectual property and copyright because they may not feel comfortable with sharing the information with you and the rest of society.

As a researcher, you must follow the consultation protocols to make the Indigenous person or anyone answering to feel comfortable to leave and not be a part of it. It is only out of utter respect that you understand this as they may have difficulty interpreting it. You must give them insight into what you are doing and tell them from the outset what ~~your~~ your plans are with the final product so they can know and understand you take on it all.

Respecting Indigenous knowledge is highly important as they are sharing an aspect of their life that defines who they are. They may have a bias opinion on something but respect what they say as they know more about their culture than you do. You need to respect their knowledge and not push for more information because they may not know the complete detail or it may be difficult to talk about.

Acknowledging their property and copyright is something that should not be missed. It is significantly important to make sure the person you have spoken to is willing to let the stories they have told to go in to your work and be shown however you project displays. If you were to breach this, ~~it~~ means you have broken your promise to keep the information where the person wanted it.