

1. Process Recording

The following format and example of process recording is taken from Wilson (1981).*

Format:

Supervisor's Comments	Dialogue	Student's Gut Level <i>Feelings</i>
<p>In this column, the supervisor enters his comments opposite the material recorded in the dialogue" column. He may point out techniques used by the student, comment on the meaning of a client's response, raise questions for the student to think about suggest alternate responses or techniques,</p>	<p>This is where the student records the content of what took place in the interview.</p>	<p>The recorder puts down any feelings he was aware of as the dialogue was taking place. For example, "I felt anxious."</p>
EXAMPLE:		
<p>I'm sure your being more comfortable affected the interview positively.</p>	<p>Mrs. B: I got a letter from my husband on Monday and he said to go ahead and file for divorce.</p>	<p>I felt a little more confident than last time.</p>
<p>I wonder why the sudden change?</p>	<p>W (Worker): So you are filing for divorce?</p>	<p>I was surprised – Mrs. B. was very willing to talk this time!</p>
<p>I'll believe it when I see it!</p>	<p>Mrs. B.: Yeah – I'm going to go ahead and do it.</p> <p>W: Are you planning on filing soon, or are you going to wait a while?</p>	<p>I'm feeling more at ease.</p>
<p>I wonder what other feelings she has about what's happened?</p>	<p>Mrs. B: Pretty soon, I hope I may as well get a divorce since he's going to be in jail for 15 years.</p>	

<p>What are the four kids doing while you all are talking?</p>	<p>Sister: I think she out to go ahead and get one.</p> <p>W: Where is your husband now?</p> <p>Mrs. B.: In Puerto Rico.</p> <p>W: What jail is he going to?</p> <p>Mrs. B: I don't know.</p>	
<p>Your bias is showing (for her to get the divorce!)</p>	<p>W: Would transportation to Legal Aid be a problem – if so, I'll be glad to take you.</p> <p>Sister: The car wouldn't be a problem-we've all got the family car.</p>	
<p>She should know if she's filed before.</p>	<p>Mrs. B: How much would the divorce cost me?</p> <p>W: I'm not real sure- probably nothing or maybe just a small amount. I'll check on it for you</p> <p>Mrs. B.: OK. I've filed for divorce once before.</p>	
<p>I wonder if she filed thru Legal Aid?</p>	<p>W. When did you file? Mrs. B: Back in 1973.</p> <p>W: Well, whatever happened?</p>	<p>I feel like I'm getting somewhere-not far, but somewhere.</p>

Note: Names and identifying details in all recording examples have been altered to preserve confidentiality.

* Wilson, S. (1981). Field instruction. New York: The Free Press, pp. 119-20.