

Researcher Tricks

A1 /

Memory Aids /

**club various
things, activities,
sounds & other
inputs into
categories.**

A2 /

Memory Aids /

notice and
remember how
you **felt** or what
you **thought** at
various points on
the field.

A3 /

Memory Aids /

**draw relation-
ships** from your
own life worlds
to particular
observations

A4 /

Memory Aids /

create acronyms
out of the things
that you are
trying to
remember

A5 /

Memory Aids /

make **quick**

codified

notes

A6 /

Memory Aids /

make **quick**
sketches

A7 /

Memory Aids /

keep a count of
the number of
things you are
trying to
remember

B1 / Memory Aids /
Visual /

break your
scene
into **parts**

B2 / Memory Aids /
Visual /

practice looking

beyond your

central

field-of-vision

to expand

peripheral vision

B3 / Memory Aids /
Visual /

focus - unfocus

to capture
different sets
of details

C1 / Memory Aids / **Aural /**

**create layers of
sounds** from
what you can
hear by way of
distance or
loudness

C2 / Memory Aids /
Aural /

visualise

**the sound for
later recall**

C2 / Memory Aids /
Aural /

make note of
sound sources

D1 / Memory Aids / **People /**

make note of
quirky gestures,
mannerisms,
expressions &
other behavioural
traits

D2 / Memory Aids / **People /**

try to remember
exact **phrases**
and words
used by them

D3 / Memory Aids / **People /**

be conscious of
their **body**
language & cues
during
conversations

E1 /

Field Report

Tips /

write detailed

accounts of

observations

immediately after

leaving the field

E2 /

Field Report

Tips /

ratio of time
taken to write a
report to time
spent on the field
is roughly **4:1**

E3 /

Field Report

Tips /

carry a little
notepad or use
the notes app
on your phone
to **keep jotting**