How to Ask about Using a Different Methodology

Questions to ask yourselves:

Did we pick the methodology or was it assigned to us?

Did we pick the research questions first, or the methodology first?

Do we feel in control over how the methodology is being used? Are we being steamrolled?

Does this methodology allow for the equity we want to focus on in this project?

Questions to ask your methodology expert:

What other methodologies should we consider?

Can that methodology answer these kinds of research questions?

What do you like about this methodology?

This Methodology Matrix* seems to suggest that there are several methodologies that might answer our questions, what do you think?

What methodologies are you most comfortable with? Are there any you’re excited about?

* weallcount.com/methodology-matrix

Icebreakers for your methodology requirers:

“I think we’ve got an opportunity to use a really exciting methodology!”

“This other methodology looks equally robust and more applicable!”

“We agree that that methodology is proven, so is this methodology!”

“We think this methodology will do a better job of answering our actual research question!”

“We think it would be great to supplement that methodology with this methodology!”