Worksheet 4: Chains of analysis answers

For each of the following examples, develop the chain of analysis..

1 Teacher labels a working-class learner. Develop a chain of analysis that shows how this might affect the learner.

Teacher labels a working-class learner.	*The learner identifies the label realising what the teacher thinks of them.*	*The learner internalises the label and this creates a self-fulfilling prophecy.*	The learner has low educational attainment.

2 A researcher wants to investigate victims of domestic violence. Develop a chain of analysis that shows how they might select a sample.

A researcher wants to investigate victims of domestic violence.	*The sensitive nature of the topic makes it hard to find respondents.*	*The researcher uses snowball sampling to get referrals for the study.*	The sample is not representative.

3 Interpretivists use qualitative data. Develop a chain of analysis that shows why this is the case.

Interpretivists use qualitative data.	*Interpretivists aim to gain an understanding of meanings.*	*They will use methods such as participant observation.*	PO allows you to gain verstehen.

4 Girls' education is influenced by wider social changes. Develop a chain of analysis that shows why this is the case.

Girls' education is influenced by wider social changes.	*One change is the way women are portrayed in the media.*	*McRobbie found media now portrays women as wanting careers rather than marriage.*	Women aspire to successful careers.