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### Collecting data for analyzing discourses

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#### ABSTRACT

How we understand and define qualitative data is changing, with implications not only for the techniques of data analysis, but also how data are collected. New devices, technologies and online spaces open up new ways for researchers to approach and collect images, moving images, text and talk. The SAGE Handbook of Qualitative Data Collection systematically explores the approaches, techniques, debates and new frontiers for creating, collecting and producing qualitative data. Bringing together contributions from internationally leading scholars in the field, the handbook offers a critical, state-of-the-art, look at key themes in data collection.

In Chapter 19, Collecting Data for Analyzing Discourses we begin by briefly exploring what discourse is and what Discourse Analysis (DA) involves. We then introduce Critical Discourse Analysis (CDA) and the core epistemological ideas underpinning it. The chapter showcases one of many different approaches to CDA — the Discourse-Historical Approach (DHA) — and engages critically with key features and analytical constructs of DHA in the context of two case studies.