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Results. It proved possible to operationalise the uncertainty concept and to demonstrate that uncertainty declined through the problem-solving process.

Conclusion. Uncertainty appears to have two dimensions: the ‘objective’, cognitive uncertainty resulting from a perceived lack of knowledge in a field and the ‘affective’ uncertainty. (Choose between Conclusion or Conclusions. If not changed Conclusion will be used.)

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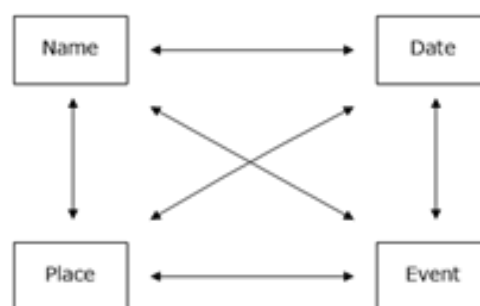


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