

raphy, grounded theory, and action research, see [Chapters 5](#) and [6](#) and [Streubert and Carpenter \(2011\)](#).

TABLE 7.1

Critical Appraisal of Qualitative Research

<i>Elements of style</i>	1. Was there sufficient detail to enable critical appraisal? 2. Is there evidence that the researcher has the qualifications, knowledge, and expertise to conduct the research? 3. Does the abstract give a clear summary of the study, including the research problem, sample, methodology, findings, and recommendations? 4. Is the title clear, accurate, and reflective of the topic and method?
<i>Statement of the phenomenon of interest</i>	1. Was the title clear, accurate, and related to the research question? 2. What is the phenomenon of interest and is it clearly stated for the reader? 3. What is the justification for using a qualitative method? 4. What are the philosophical underpinnings of the research method?
<i>Purpose</i>	1. What is the purpose of the study? 2. What is the projected significance of the work to nursing?

