

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it actively seeks the involvement of grassroots groups.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it meets the needs of the project's beneficiaries and addresses their perceptions of it.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it offers participants information that has been processed and refined by the evaluator.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it requires the evaluator to have specialist knowledge of human nature.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it provides useful knowledge that leads to real changes in people's living conditions.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it acknowledges local cultural values.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it reconstructs the world from a critical perspective that is not dictated by others.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it is a dialogue that increases and enriches interaction between people.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it enables us to learn from the experience, and become better people and communities.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it enables us to participate with others in the search for truth.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it enables dialogue between evaluators and participants in a project.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it incorporates the needs and opinions of both men and women.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it is gender-sensitive.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it actively and purposefully incorporates actors who are relevant to the intervention in the evaluation process as rights bearers.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it is carried out by professionals specialised in participatory methodologies.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it seeks to ensure autonomy for the most vulnerable groups.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it requires didactic tools and materials to facilitate dialogue and involve people in the collection, analysis and use of information.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it recognises local knowledge as valid and necessary when judging an intervention.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it rejects myths, passivity and fatalism.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that the participants (stakeholders) take ownership both of the processes and of the evaluation results.



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THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that its aims, methods and tools are determined jointly with those involved.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it seeks to ensure creativity, initiative and respect for oneself and each other.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it implies faith in people and the world.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that the way an evaluation is carried out is as important as what is being evaluated and the people carrying out the evaluation.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it requires the facilitator to motivate the process and equip the evaluation team.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it replaces results-based and impact evaluations.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it is a process that is carried out with others and for others.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it challenges the traditional model of expert-led evaluation.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it enables an intervention's beneficiaries to 'feel, reflect and take action'.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it seeks the commitment of the stakeholders in the assessment of results and reflects on the achievements of the project in order to propose solutions.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that the beneficiaries define what will be evaluated, who will take part, when it will be carried out, which data gathering and analysis methods will be used and how the conclusions will be put to use.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that the participants define, fine tune and verify its results, identifying lessons learned and obstacles encountered, in addition to readjusting their plan and taking corrective measures.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it reinforces local skills in terms of planning processes and participatory decision-making and that these skills can be helpful beyond the initial project.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it encourages stakeholders to take ownership of the evaluation processes and results.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it analyses the relevance of the intervention (how well the project matches the needs) from the point of view of those involved.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it determines a project's efficacy or effectiveness by comparing what people wanted to achieve with what they perceive was achieved, going beyond what was specified in the project.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it helps us critically examine reality.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it enables us to review the assumptions and contradictions of the intervention from the perspective of the target population.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that representatives of beneficiary entities and individuals work together on the design, implementation and interpretation of the evaluation findings.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF PARTICIPATORY EVALUATION IS:
that it is a process that is carried out with others and for others.



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