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## Feedback on coursework provided by Professor Paul Dowling

## **Critical Review**

The review evidences a good level of understanding of relevant methodological issues and engages critically with the research.

## **Research Proposal**

The discussion of research literature in the proposal is largely descriptive, though it does evidence understanding of experimental design. Somekh's action research scheme omits reference to existing research on the problem to be addressed and this is a failure in the scheme, which might have been picked up in the proposal, especially as the proposal itself includes—as it was required to do—discussion of existing research on the problem.

Both pieces are well written and presented and demonstrate a sophisticated understanding of methodological issues and the potential to operationalise this understanding in empirical research.