## CHAPTER 13

## Qualitative Data Analysis: Searching for Meaning

## **Learning Objectives**

- 1. Identify and apply the steps in qualitative data analysis.
- 2. Describe how textual data are prepared for analysis.
- 3. Explain the purposes of different types of coding, memo-writing, and data displays.
- 4. Explain how researchers may draw and evaluate conclusions from qualitative data.
- 5. Give examples of major variations in qualitative data analysis.