# Imaginary qualitative data example

* **Research topic**: The effects of parent’s breakup on the children
* **Population**: People who had underaged children at the time of a breakup
* **Sampling**: Self-selection. Organisations offering support in breakup situations in different parts of Finland were asked to share the invitation to participate in the research.

## Beginning of the un-anonymised transcript (R=researcher, I=interviewee):

R: Tell me a little bit about yourself and the relationship before the breakup.

I: Well, as I told you on the phone, since graduating as a nurse I’ve worked at the municipal health centre of Virrat. Actually, it’s part of the Keiturin Sote healthcare federation now. When Jenna was born, I was still studying at Tampere University of Applied Sciences. Ville graduated later than me from the University of Tampere and we lived in a two-bedroom apartment on the Sarvijaakonkatu street.

R: And at what point did the breakup happen?

I: We made the decision together a year ago, and I remember the day very well. It was the fifth of July in 2018, and somehow it really struck me hard, even though I also knew that it was the only alternative. I posted on Facebook that evening that from this day forward I’m no longer with Ville. Ville was finishing his master’s thesis on the experience of loneliness combined with poverty, and then I guess he didn't want to be lonely himself, even during his studies, when this love triangle came into the picture. As I explained to you on the phone.

R: I see. Let’s move on to the first content question. What would you like to say about the effects of the breakup on your child’s life situation?

I: What would I like to say… What would be like important for the research… I don’t know whether I would even want to talk about it all that much, and somehow I didn’t even sign up for this right away because I thought that I don’t have the energy to think about these things too much.