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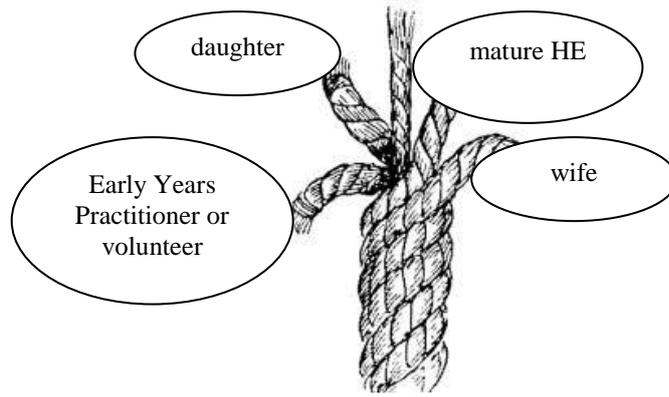
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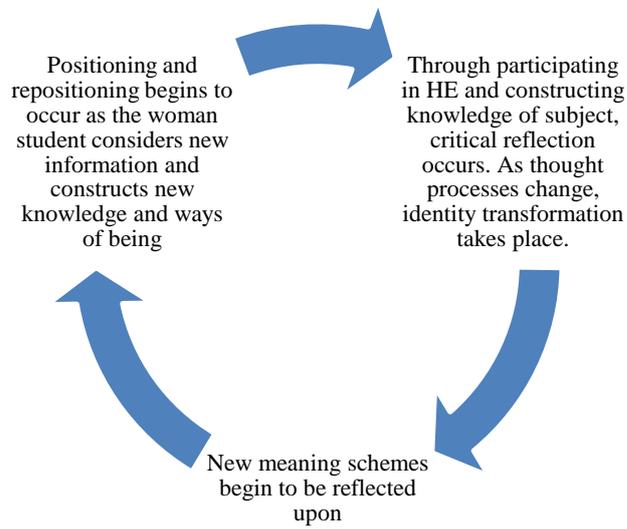
<b>HE Education status of participants</b>					
	<i>Full time</i>	<i>Part time</i>	<i>Total</i>		
<i>First year students</i>	3	1	4		
<i>Second year students</i>	1	3	4		
<i>Third year degree top up year students</i>	2	1	3		
<b>Ages of participants</b>					
	<i>20-29</i>	<i>30-39</i>	<i>40-49</i>	<i>50-59</i>	
<i>Number of participants</i>	1	4	5	1	
<b>Age categories of children of participants</b>					
	<i>Other</i>	<i>Primary</i>	<i>Secondary or university</i>		
<i>Number of participants</i>	2 (pre-school and primary) 1 (primary and secondary)	5	3		
<b>Educational status of husbands</b>					
	<i>Up to level 2 (GCSE or O Level)</i>	<i>Up to level 3 (A level, BTEC or NVQ)</i>	<i>Up to level 4 (HNC)</i>	<i>Up to level 5 (HND)</i>	<i>Up to level 6 (Degree)</i>
<i>Number of participants</i>	5	0	1	1	3

**Table 1 – Participants details**

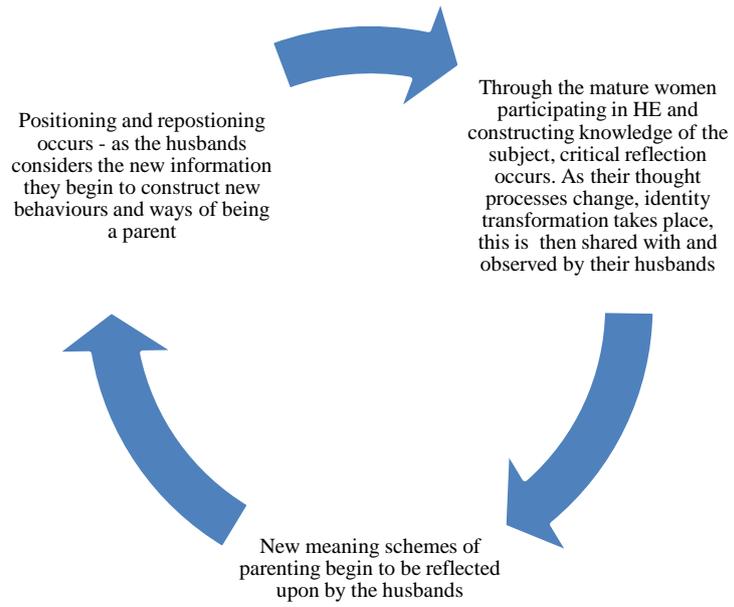
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**Figure 1: Example of strands of identity for a woman**



**Figure 2: Cycle of transformation for women in HE**



**Figure 3: Cycle of transformation for the husbands**