

Family Member Interview Questions

Family Member Name: _____

Relation to you: _____

1. Where were you born and when? Do you remember any stories that your parents told you about the event?
2. What do you remember about your childhood?
3. Where did you go to school? Did you finish school? If not, why?
4. What were your brothers and sisters like?

5. Where and when were your parents born? What did they look like? What were their occupations? Did your parents tell you how they met?
6. Do you remember your grandparents? Do you recall any stories about them? What did they look like?
7. Did you hear any stories about your great-grandparents? Did you ever meet your great-grandparents?
8. When you were a child, who was the oldest person in your family?

9. Did any relatives (other than your immediate family) live with you?

10. Did your family have any traditions or celebrate any special holidays?

11. Are there any items (stories, traditions, or physical items) that have been handed down through several generations of the family?

12. When did you leave home? Where did you live?

13. Did you join the military? If so, what branch of service were you in? What units were you part of? Did you serve overseas?

14. What occupations have you had? Did you have any special training?

15. How did you meet your spouse?

16. When and where did you get married? Did you go on a honeymoon? Where?

17. When were your children born? Do you have any stories about the births?

18. Do you know how in the family originally immigrated to this country? Where did they come from? Why did they leave their native land?