

Family History Interview

This is a list of questions you can ask family members to create a small personal history. I recommend writing the answers in a notebook or even using a voice recorder to collect the data and then type out the answers.

- ◆ What is your full name?
- ◆ Why were you named that (after someone, story)
- ◆ What are/were your nicknames?
- ◆ When were you born?
- ◆ Where were you born?
- ◆ Any favorite childhood memories?
- ◆ Have you been baptized? If so, how old were you?
- ◆ What religion are you? Your parents, family, etc?
- ◆ Where did you grow up?
- ◆ Do you have siblings? If so, what are their full names?
- ◆ What are some funny stories of you and your siblings?
- ◆ What were things you did to keep busy (playing, games, etc) as a child?
- ◆ Did you play sports? Music? What were your hobbies?
- ◆ What were your hobbies? Are they the same now?
- ◆ Did/do you like to read? What do you like to read?
- ◆ What are some things you are really proud of?
- ◆ What are your parents names? What do you remember about them?
- ◆ Do you like to sing? What is your favorite kind of music?
- ◆ Do you have a favorite song/band/time period?
- ◆ Did you learn to drive? If so, what is your favorite car? Can you drive a stick shift?
- ◆ Did you go to elementary school? Where was it?
- ◆ Did you go to middle school or high school? Where at? Did you graduate?
- ◆ Did you go to college? Where at? Did you graduate? What did you major in?
- ◆ What memories do you have from school? (grades, friends, teachers, experiences)
- ◆ Did you go to a prom? With who?

- ◆ Where was your favorite place to hangout?
- ◆ What is/was your favorite food?
- ◆ What is/was your favorite drink? Snack?
- ◆ Did you serve in the military? If so? Where? What was your rank?
- ◆ How old were you when you started dating?
- ◆ Who was your first date with?
- ◆ Where did you meet your spouse?
- ◆ What was your first date like?
- ◆ When and where did you propose?
- ◆ When and where was your wedding?
- ◆ Did you go on a honeymoon? If so, where?
- ◆ Where did you live when you were married?
- ◆ How many kids did you have? What were their full names?
- ◆ Why did you name them those names?
- ◆ How long have you been/were you married?
- ◆ What are some memories you have of your kids when they were small? Teens? Grown up?
- ◆ Any advice on raising kids?
- ◆ What were your parents full names? What do you remember about them?
- ◆ Were you close to your in-laws? What are their full names?
- ◆ Do you remember your grandparents? What are their full names?
- ◆ Do you/ Did you have any health issues?
- ◆ Do/Did you like to travel?
- ◆ What is your favorite place to visit?
- ◆ Did you have any pets? Which ones? What were their names?
- ◆ What do/did you do for work?
- ◆ Any stories you want to share about any of your jobs?
- ◆ What was your favorite job?
- ◆ Do you have any memories/stories of me?
- ◆ Do you have any life lessons you want to share?
- ◆ Any words of advice about life?