

Oral History – Possible Questions

Introduction / Ice Breaker

1. Please tell me your full name, date of birth, and place of birth.
 - a. Who were you named after?

Childhood

2. What were you like as a child?
3. What was your childhood like?
4. How would you describe your parents?
5. Where did you live?
6. Do you remember any songs that you used to sing as a child?
7. Do you remember any stories that you heard or read as a child?

Teenage Years

8. What were you like as a teenager?

Immigration

9. How old were you when you migrated?
10. What is your favorite memory of your home country?
11. What was the most difficult part about leaving?
12. What was your journey to this new country like?
13. Who supported you the most during your journey? What did they do?
14. What was it like when you first arrived?

Traditions and Celebrations

15. What holidays do you celebrate?
16. What's your favorite holiday to celebrate?
17. What would you consider the most traditional holiday that you celebrate?
18. How do you celebrate this holiday? Are there traditions?
19. What do you eat?
20. Is there a religious component?
21. Where do you celebrate?