

INTERVIEW PROJECT

In this lesson, you'll have the chance to ask questions you've wanted about your family, community and history, which can shine light on your understanding of self. You can learn how others dealt with challenges and learn some of their life lessons. Through understanding where we come from, helps to shape who we become.

PREPARATION

The questions below will help you prepare. We recommend that you write your answers digitally or on paper, but if you'd rather express yourself another way, do what feels right!

1. Sharing where you are in your life can help you connect with the person you are going to interview. What personal experiences would you like to share?
2. Are there things you are struggling with and could use advice, what questions could you ask to help you learn from others?
3. What questions would you most like to ask? Make a list..
4. Who would you like to interview? Start researching people in your family or community that you'd like to interview. Write down a list of at least 3 people you're considering interviewing.

"Me, we."

—Muhammad Ali

LEADING UP TO THE INTERVIEW:

- Do your research! Find out some information about the person before you do the interview, so you come prepared.
 - Review the prompt questions. Create a few questions of your own and write them down beforehand.
 - Confirm a time and date to schedule the interview.
 - Record the conversation by writing it down, film it (camera/ phone) or record the audio. Make sure you practice using any technology before it begins.
 - Tips of video/audio recording: Find a quiet space and do some test samples to make sure the sound is clear and the camera angle is good. Check the lighting to make sure you can see the interviewee well.
 - Tips for writing it down: Feel free to ask the interviewee to repeat themselves or slow down to allow yourself time to accurately take down all the details.
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AFTER THE INTERVIEW:

- Write, email, or text your interviewee a “thank you” note.
- Use the [Video Ask Portal](#) to submit your interview. When the profile is completed, it’ll be sent to your interviewee for approval—then it’s on to the Death of My Two Fathers video archive, so others can learn what you heard in real life.

INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

Student's Name _____

Date _____

OPENING QUESTIONS FOR THE INTERVIEW:

Name of Interviewee: _____

In a brief sentence, explain where you were born. _____

What were your parents' names? _____

Where do you currently live? _____

How are we connected? _____

INTERVIEW QUESTIONS:

Is there a mantra you live by, which could help guide me along the way? _____

What have you always wanted to tell me that you never could? _____

Share a story when you were there for someone in a hard time. _____

Could you share a story about a challenging time when your/our family dealt with adversity? What insights did you learn from that moment? _____

Is there anything you wish you would have done in your life that you never got to? _____

Your Questions: _____
