

Interview a Relative!

Would you like to learn more about your family? One way is to interview a relative! Some of the best members of your family to interview are older relatives, such as your grandparents, great-aunts or -uncles, even your parents' older siblings. They can tell you their memories of your family from before you were born!

Grownups like to share their memories, so don't be shy! Call a relative to set up an interview. You can do it over the phone, on Skype or via email if your relative lives far away. Don't forget to take notes (see following page); you also might want to bring an audio or video recorder.

Here are some questions to ask:

1. What is your first and last name?
2. Where did you grow up and what was it like?
3. What were your parents first and last name?
4. What were your siblings' first and last names?
5. Did your siblings get married and have children?
6. Were you an oldest, youngest or middle child?
7. What kind of jobs did your parents have?
8. What did you do for fun?
9. What was my mom/dad like as a child?
10. What are your happiest family memories?
11. How did you meet Grandma/Grandpa/Uncle ____/Aunt ____?
12. What do you remember about your grandparents?
13. Where did our ancestors come from?
14. Do you have any old photos, papers or journals you could show me?

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Notes: Interview a Relative!

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And if you are feeling creative, make up some of your own questions!

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