

How to Conduct an Oral History Interview

List of Topics Discussed:

1. Why Conduct Oral History
2. Preparing for an Oral History Interview
3. Pre-Interview Research
4. Formulating Questions
5. Setting Up for an Interview
6. How to Get the Most Out of an Interview
7. How to Avoid Mistakes
8. What to do After the Interview

Example Oral History Questions:

1. How would you describe your childhood?
2. Who were the most influential people in your childhood?
3. What are some of your favorite stories from your childhood?
4. What do you remember about your grandparents?
5. How would you describe your educational experiences?
6. Describe your employment history after high school/college
7. How did your family influence your career?
8. What lessons did you learn in your life?
9. What was your proudest moment?
10. What advice would you give to future generations?