

## Ancestral Interview<sup>1</sup>

*Directions: Sometimes the best way to learn about yourself is to learn about where you come from. Find someone in your household that you can interview and learn about them as we learn about ourselves during this unit. You can choose anyone from your family to interview, but I suggest an older person*

Your Name:	Name of person you are interviewing?:	Related/how?
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### Section 1:

Questions to your interviewee:	Responses:
(When?)/Where were you born and what was it like?	
What is a memory that you have from childhood?	
What important events in your community or country happened when you were growing up?	
What made you want to come to this country or area? Or made you want to stay here?	
After you arrived here (country or area), did you ever think of going back? Or did you think of going elsewhere?	
What did you miss the most from where you are from (country/place of origin)?	
What are some cultural aspects/traditions that you have passed down?	
What are you most proud of?	
A question that you (student) come up with to ask your interview person:	

<sup>1</sup> Teachers understand that not all students will have someone at home to interview and will encourage students to interview someone they know or who they are close to; even with a different ancestry; or to do some research on their ancestry IF they know it.

## Section 2:

*Summarize your interview in complete sentences:* Why did you choose to interview this person? What did you learn while talking to this person? Has this interview taught you anything about yourself? Do you wish to interview anyone else? (or someone you wish you could) Did you connect to any of the stories they told? How? Did any of the stories make you feel anything? What feelings did they bring up?