Option #1

Interview

You will interview someone who is related to a person who immigrated, or an actual immigrant that actually came from another country. Use the following questions as a guide:

1. What is your full name?

3. Where did you live before you immigrated?

4. What specific circumstances caused you to immigrate?

5. Was it a personal decision or one that someone else made for you?

6. How old were you?

7. Did you know anyone in the U.S when you arrived?

9. What had people told you about the US?

10. Were your initial expectations accurate? Can you give me an example?

11. Where specifically in your former country did you live?

12. What was your life like there?

13. What was going on there at the time? Give at least three examples.

14. Can you tell me about the government in your native country before you left?

15. What year/date did you arrive in the U.S?

16. Did you immigrate alone, or with friends/other family members?

17. Can you share a memorable experience with me about what it was like, how you were feeling when you first arrived?

18. Was it hard to leave or was it exciting?

19. Did you experience any “culture shock”? Was it hard to adapt? If so, what was challenging? Can you think of a story or experience that will give me an idea?

20. If you had not immigrated to the U.S, how might your life be today?

21. Are you a citizen now? If so, when did you become an official citizen?

Please explain the process that you went through to become a citizen.

22. How do you think your country has changed since you left