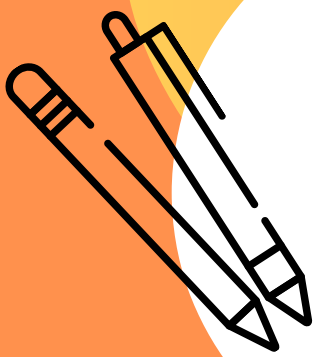


Mini Interviewing Guide

Interviewing is an important skill that helps us learn about other people. In *The Year of the Dog*, the main character learns about her family and culture through stories shared with her by family members. Here are some instructions for how **you** can try your hand at interviewing:

Before the Interview

- Do some brainstorming about who you want to talk to
- Reach out and schedule a time to chat with that person or people
- Prepare some questions or topics you want to talk about
- Make sure to pack whatever supplies you will need (pencil and notebook)



During the Interview

- Arrive on time for your interview
- Reintroduce yourself and your project
- Listen and take notes throughout the conversation
- Don't rush! Take your time
- Be sure to thank the person for their time at the end of your conversation

After the Interview

- Review your notes or video/ audio recordings you took throughout your conversation
- Share a copy of your notes with the person you interviewed

Schedule A Follow-up Conversation

- If you think your research would benefit from another conversation with someone you already interviewed, ask if they might be willing to speak with you again

Share Your Findings

- Be sure to share your research with others, especially the people you interviewed.
- Continue to have conversations with people and learn all you can about the subject you are researching!

