



Suggested Questions for the Memory Box Interview

1. Where and when were you born?
2. What were you like as a child? (helpful, happy, naughty...)
3. Tell about your parents and sibling? Was your father polygamous?
4. Describe your home and compound when you were young?
5. What did you like to do with your family?
6. Tell about your friends when you were growing up
7. What games did you play with your siblings and friends?
8. Where did you go to school?
9. Share a story about your schooling.
10. What were your favorite subjects?
11. Tell about meeting your husband/wife
12. Tell a story about your courtship and marriage.
13. What was the dowry?
14. What was your husband's job?
15. Do you make any crafts?
16. What do you remember about the birth of your children?
17. Share a story about each of your children (Names, dates, temperament, schooling, marriage, children)
18. Do you have a wish for your children's future?
19. What advice would you like to give them for their life?
20. What would you like to tell them about raising their own children?
21. Tell about your family or tribal traditions (circumcision, initiations, marriage, burial, dowry, wife inheritance, and holidays)
22. Do you have a favorite story you would like to share? (folktale?)
23. What medicinal herbs do you use?
24. What is your favorite proverb? Recipe? Words of advice? Song?
25. How has HIV/AIDS affected you in your life?
26. Would you like to talk about your illness, diagnosis, reactions? What would you like to tell your children about HIV/AIDS?
27. Is there anything else you would like to add?