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### PARENT AND GRANDPARENT INTERVIEWS

**DIRECTIONS:** Complete the following information. Interview a grandparent, focusing on the areas listed below. Write a summary about what you learned in the interview. Have the person you interviewed sign this sheet, verifying the interview.

NAME OF PERSON YOU INTERVIEWED: \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF FAMILY RELATIONSHIP IN WHICH HE/SHE LIVES (single, dual earner, traditional, blended, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

#### GRANDPARENT INTERVIEW:

1. How many grandchildren do you have? What are their ages?
2. What role do you play in the lives of your grandchildren?
3. What are the challenges of being a grandparent?
4. What are the rewards of being a grandparent?
5. Compare how children, in general, were raised during your childhood to how they are raised today. (Give specific examples, if possible.)
6. What activities do children do today that they would never have done when you were young?
7. At what age did you have your first child?
8. Do you feel that you were too young, just right, or too old to start a family?
9. If you had it to do over, would you have children?

GRANDPARENT SIGNATURE AND AGE \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENTS:**

Interview a mother and a father (from two different families) about the joys and responsibilities of parenting. As you interview them, focus on the areas listed below. After the interview, write a summary about what you learned from each interview. Have each parent sign this paper, verifying they were interviewed.

NAME OF PERSON YOU INTERVIEWED: \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF FAMILY RELATIONSHIP IN WHICH HE/SHE LIVES (single, dual earner, traditional, blended, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

1. How does the responsibility of parenting compare with the other responsibilities in your life?
2. What, in general, should parents teach their children?
3. What have you learned from your children?
4. What do you most enjoy about the parent-child relationship?
5. What activities do you say "no" to?
6. What aspect of parenting do you feel most prepared for?
7. What aspect of parenting do you feel least prepared for?
8. Where did you learn parenting skills?
9. Where could new parents go to learn parenting skills?
10. What advice would you give to a couple who is considering becoming parents?
11. Compare how children were raised during your childhood and how they are raised today. (Give specific examples, if possible.)
12. What activities do children do today that they would never have done when you were young?
13. What challenges do children face today that never concerned you?
14. At what age did you have your first child?
15. Do you feel that you were too young, just right, or too old to start a family?
16. If you had it to do over, would you have children?

MOTHER SIGNATURE AND AGE \_\_\_\_\_

FATHER SIGNATURE AND AGE \_\_\_\_\_