

The Eliyahu Project - Legacy Interview Preparation

A short preparation guide for a productive, humane family-history interview.

Before

- Choose 8-12 priority topics.
- Collect memory prompts.
- Test audio.
- Agree on privacy boundaries.
- Schedule enough time without rushing.

During

- Ask one question at a time.
- Let silence work.
- Ask 'what happened next?' and 'what did that feel like?'
- Spell names and places aloud.
- Do not argue with memory during the recording.

After

- Back up the recording immediately.
- List unresolved names/dates.
- Scan or photograph related documents.
- Schedule a short follow-up while the first conversation is fresh.