Would you like to interview someone you know well? Use these questions:

Primary School

Where did you go to primary school?	At what age did you start?
How did you travel to and from school?	What teachers do you remember?
Can you remember school rules?	Were the teachers strict?
What clothes were worn at school?	How was the school heated?
How many children were in the class?	What was your favourite subject?
What was your least favourite subject?	Did you get much homework?
What time did school start and end at?	What did you eat for lunch?
Did any special things happen?	What games did you play at break?
Do you remember your First Communion?	Describe your Confirmation.
Do you remember your schoolbooks?	Have you any old copies or books now?
Did you go on any school trips?	What did you do after primary school?

Answers:_____

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Houses

How many rooms were in your house?	What was the roof made from?
What kind of floor covering was there?	Describe the fireplace
What fuel was burned in the fire?	What lighting was used?
How was cooking done?	Where did you get water?
How were clothes washed?	What chores did you do around the house?

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Farming

What crops did the farmers grow? What machines were used? How was land prepared for sowing? What work was done in the different seasons? Where did farmers buy seed? Was your butter homemade? Was there a forge nearby? Was there a limekiln?	What animals did farmers keep? How was ploughing done? Did you help on a farm? Were prayers said for the success of the crops? Where did farmers but and sell animals? Did you keep hens or geese at home? Did fields have names? Can you tell more about farm life?

Customs and Cures

Were there any local customs? Did your family have any special cures for children's ailments? Was there a holy well in the area? Were you ever sick yourself?	Was there a pattern or patron held locally? Name some traditions to do with weddings, funerals or feast days. Could anyone local cure health problems? Can you remember any customs?

Games and Pastimes

Did you play skittles or marbles?	What were the rules?
Did you play conkers?	How would you make conkers harder?
Did you play cards?	What card games can you remember?
Did you listen to the radio?	What stations were on?
What music was on the radio?	Name presenters or famous people.
Say some skipping rhymes.	Did you fish?
What toys did you have?	What would Santa bring?
Did you read books?	Did you read comics?
Did you go to the cinema?	Name some films or actors.
What sports did you play or watch?	What games did you make up?

Weather

How did people forecast the weather?	Did they observe animals?
Did people observe the moon, hills or clouds?	Did trees or plants help in forecasting?
Do you remember rhymes about weather?	Did types of weather have special names?
Was there a local expert at forecasting?	Can you remember any very bad weather?