

Generation X Project - Data Collection Questionnaire

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Remember to ask for phone number and/or email addresses of participants. This is to update participants on the project. Also make note of the genders and heritages of everyone present during the interview, including children. Note anyone else present, including interviewer/s.

Demographics:

What year were you born?

Where were you born?

Describe where you live: geographical region, rural or urban

How long have you lived in your present location?

Do you like where you live?

- If so, why?

- If not, where would you like to live? Do you intend to move in the future? (Why would you move?)

Do you own your home or rent?

When you hear the term "Generation X," what comes to mind?

Based on your personal experiences, what are the characteristics of Generation X?

College:

Did you attend college? If not, why not?

How many years did you attend college?

Did you finish college?

What is/are your degree/s?

What are your thoughts about college? (Why did you decide to attend college?)

If you have children, is it assumed that they will attend college?

Work:

What do you do for a living?

How many hours per week do you work?

Do you enjoy your work? Why or why not?

Is it important to you to enjoy your work?

How many times have you changed your career?

Do you intend to change your career in the future?

At what age do you intend to retire?

What will you do when you retire?

Play:

Do you have any hobbies?

If so, what are your hobbies?

How much time per week do you spend on your hobbies?

Why do you spend time on your hobbies?

Is socializing with friends important to you? What activities do you do with friends?

Is socializing with family important to you? What activities do you do with family?

How much time per week do you spend socializing?

Health:

- Do you exercise?
- Do you have a special diet?
- Are you happy with your health?
- Do you worry about developing ailments/diseases?
- Do you think about aging?
- Do you have any tattoos or body-piercings?

Partnership and Children:

- Are you in a long-term relationship?
- How many years have you been in this relationship?
- Are you married?
- Have you divorced? (If yes, probe for numerical data such as number of years in first marriage, age at marriage, age at divorce, etc.)
- When you were single, did you aim to be married?
- What are your thoughts on marriage?
- Do you have children? (Get details if so.)
- Do you intend to have children?

Philosophy and Politics:

- What is your political affiliation?
- Do you feel you have a philosophy about life?
- Does your philosophy include a spiritual path? If so, what is that path?

Core Questions:

- As yet, what is the most valuable lesson you've learned?
- What bit of advice would you offer to others?
- Of the things we've discussed, or not discussed, what is the **one thing** that is most important to you?
- Do you have a mission, and if so, what is it?