**What is Our Family Story?**

**Big Question:** What are the critical events that have happened in our family that has led us to our life in Calgary today?

As part of our continued study of Canada, we are going to learn more about our own families and ancestors and what brought everyone to Canada. Please answer these questions as best as you can. If you have stories to share, artifacts or photos that would be helpful too. Any information about our past is useful. You can substitute the word ‘Calgary’ for ‘Canada’ if you’ve lived in Canada for many generations.

1. Where were you born? /Where were our ancestors born?
2. When did you come to Canada?/When did our ancestors come to Canada?
3. Where were your parents / grandparents from?
4. Why did you come to Canada?/Why did our ancestors come to Canada?
5. How did you get from \_\_\_\_ to Canada? ( transportation)/ How did our ancestors get here?
6. What was Canada like when you arrived?/What was Canada like when our ancestors arrived?
7. Where did you first land when you came to Canada? What is your travel story?
8. What did you have to give up to come to Canada? ( family, jobs, health, security, money,)
9. Did you want to come to Canada? ( forced, paid, volunteer)
10. What was going on in your home before you left? ( war? Famine, depression)
11. Why did you move to Alberta? How did you get here?
12. What traditions did you bring with you? Do you still celebrate those?
13. What did you gain by moving to Canada?( abstract or concrete)
14. What challenges did you face when you first arrived in Canada &/or Alberta?
15. How is Canada/Calgary different now then from when you first arrived?
16. Do you have any family artifacts/heirlooms?
17. How did you meet your husband/wife?
18. Any other information to share….

**My Story**

**Big Question:** What are some of the critical events that have happened in your life that have led you to become the person you are today - your identity. Think: likes, dislikes, values, hobbies, family, relationships, etc.

**For example:**

Event: As a child every summer we went on family camping trips in out trailer.

Affect: This is an activity that I continue to do now with my husband and daughter.

Event: I attended brownies and girl guides

Affect: I learned camping skills that I continue to use today and learned songs that I pass onto my daughter.

**Aim for 5-8**

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