



#52Stories

9 Education & School

HERE ARE A DOZEN QUESTIONS to inspire your personal history this month. Answer all twelve, or expound upon one question per week as part of the #52stories project from FamilySearch.

1. Describe your family legacy regarding education. Do you come from a long line of scholars? Were you the first to earn a degree? Are you forging a new legacy with your own children?
2. What was your first introduction to formal education—preschool, Kindergarten, homeschooling? What do you remember about those first few years?
3. How many of your elementary school teachers can you remember? Can you list them in order? Did you have a favorite? A least favorite?
4. What sensory details can you remember from each of your past schools? The colors of the classrooms and lockers, the smell of paste or cafeteria food, the textures of the carpet or tile?
5. What are your memories of school lunch? Did you bring it from home or eat at school? How did the food and your experiences change from school to school?
6. What were your best years in school and why? Did you have a great circle of friends, wonderful teachers, curriculum that interested you, involvement in clubs or teams?
7. What were some of the challenges from your school years, and how did they help you develop increased strength, resiliency, determination, compassion or other worthwhile qualities?
8. What subjects did you excel at in school and which were hardest for you? Do you still feel the same way about those subjects?
9. Did you earn any awards, certificates, or honors throughout your education, whether for attendance, citizenship, academics, or extracurricular activities?
10. What extracurricular activities did you get involved in throughout all your school years—music, sports, dance, yearbook, school government, clubs, etc.?
11. Who were your most influential teachers, coaches, and advisors from throughout your school years? What did you learn from them? Have you seen any of them since?
12. When you were still in school, how did you envision your future? How has real life measured up to that vision?



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