

Genogram interview sheet

Name _____ Date _____

Your household

Question	What to draw	Answer
Who lives in your home now, and how is each person related to you?	A household boundary around everyone who lives together	_____ _____
When were you born, and when was each person in your home born?	The birth year above each symbol	_____ _____
Are you married, living together or engaged?	A marriage, cohabitation or engagement line between the partners	_____ _____
Have you or your partner been married or lived with someone before?	An earlier couple line, with one slash for a separation or two for a divorce	_____ _____
Do you have children, including stepchildren and adopted or foster children?	A child line for each child, solid for biological, dashed for adopted and dotted for foster, with a stepchild's line drawn only from their own parents	_____ _____ _____
Have you or your partner lost a pregnancy through miscarriage or stillbirth?	The miscarriage or stillbirth symbol on its own child line, in birth order	_____ _____

Parents and siblings

Question	What to draw	Answer
What are your parents' names and birth years, and are they living?	Their symbols, with an X and both years for a parent who has died	_____ _____
Are your parents together, separated or divorced, and has either one remarried?	One slash for a separation, two for a divorce, and each later partner on that parent's outer side	_____ _____
Who are your brothers and sisters, from oldest to youngest, including half and step siblings?	Children from oldest on the left to youngest on the right, with each half or step sibling on their own parents' line	_____ _____ _____
Are any of you twins?	Two child lines from one point, with a bar between them for identical twins	_____ _____

Grandparents, aunts and uncles

Question	What to draw	Answer
What are your grandparents' names, and when were they born and when did they die?	Their symbols on the top row, with an X and both years for each grandparent who has died	_____ _____
What did each grandparent die of, and how old were they when they died?	The cause of death under the name	_____ _____
Who are your parents' brothers and sisters, and do they have children?	Aunts and uncles beside your parents, and their children on your row	_____ _____

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Health

Question	What to draw	Answer
Has anyone had heart disease, diabetes, cancer or a stroke, and how old were they when it was diagnosed?	A fill in the condition's color, listed in the key, and the age at diagnosis under the name	
Has anyone had depression, anxiety or another mental health condition?	The color for a named diagnosis, or the illness fill when the diagnosis is not known	
Has anyone had a problem with alcohol or drugs, and is anyone in recovery?	The alcohol or drug abuse fill on the lower half of the symbol, or the recovery fill	

Relationships

Question	What to draw	Answer
Who in the family are you closest to?	A close bond line between the two people	
Who does not speak to whom, and since when?	A cutoff line, with the year it began in a note	
Where is there frequent conflict, and which ties feel distant?	A hostile line for conflict and a dashed distant line	
Has anyone in the family been hurt or threatened by another family member?	An abuse or violence line between the two people	

Losses and turning points

Question	What to draw	Answer
Who in the family has died, and when and how did they die?	An X through the symbol, both years above it and the cause under the name	
Were there moves, serious illnesses, accidents or job losses, and when did they happen?	A note with the year beside the people it affected	

Culture and strengths

Question	What to draw	Answer
Where did each side of the family come from, and when did they move?	The country of origin under the name, or a note on each side of the family	
What languages does the family speak, and what faith, if any, does each person practice?	A short label under the name	
Who helps when things go wrong?	A close bond line to each helper in the family, and an ecomap for helpers outside it	