

Interviewing Historical Figures

Appropriate for grades 5-8.

Overview: The student will gain knowledge of historical figures using an interviewing technique.

Purpose: To help students develop research techniques, writing, listening, and speaking skills.

Objectives:

1. Research a famous Virginian.
2. Formulate appropriate questions to gain knowledge of the historical person.
3. Work cooperatively in small groups.
4. Perform an interview with partner .
5. Demonstrate good listening and speaking skills.

Activities:

1. Research a famous Virginian with a partner.
2. Take notes from several resources.
3. Formulate appropriate questions to gain knowledge of the famous Virginian.
4. Practice the interview.
5. Perform the interview with the whole class as an audience.