

# Brainstorming for an Interview Paper

You've been asked to interview someone and write a paper on that interview. First, you need to pick your subject. How can you tell who would be good to interview? Here are some questions to keep in mind:

Is the person likely to agree to the interview?

Will they have time to do it?

Will they give interesting, detailed answers?

Do you feel comfortable talking to them?

If you've been given a specific topic, do they fit that topic?



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You may also have been told to do this paper in a different style than either a straight report or a dialogue between you and the subject. This may seem scary at first, but there are many different ways you can approach this. Here are some ideas:

- A free-verse poem
- A play
- A short story from the point of view of the subject
- A short story from the point of view of someone else in the subject's story
- A news story
- An obituary (story written about someone after they've died)
- Someone who knows the subject reminiscing about them
- A series of diary entries
- A series of letters or emails between two (or even more) people
- A graphic novel/nonfiction story

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