

Interviewer questions

When your partner is recording their story, your job is to be the interviewer. Use the questions below to help the storyteller add details, richness, and drama to their story. Don't interrupt the storyteller—just use these questions if the storyteller is not sure what to say.

Set the scene

- Who else is part of this story? What was your relationship to them?
- Where were you when the story started? What objects were around?
- Can you provide any sensory details? What could you hear? See? Feel?
- What else should we know about you to understand the story you're about to tell?

Describe the event

- What actually happened? Did those actions have any sound? Or feel?
- What actions did you take? What actions did other people take?
- How did you react? Was this a surprise?

What changed?

- Did this event make you think about yourself differently?
- What exactly did it help you learn?
- Did this make you think about your family/friends/neighbors any differently?
- Did this make you think about your phone differently?

Why does it matter?

- How do you wish this story had gone differently?
- Do you think this relates to cell phones in schools?
- How might this story help educators decide how to limit/allow cell phones in school?

Recording Your Story

After you have planned out your story, you and your partner will take turns recording and uploading your stories. Everyone's privacy will be respected and we will only share the stories within this project.

1. You will need at least one cell phone (or laptop).
2. Open the voice recorder app on your phone.
 - a. On Android phones, there is a built-in voice app called Recorder or Voice Recorder.
 - b. iPhones have a built-in app called Voice Memos.
 - c. If you're using a laptop you can use Audacity, or check with a teacher.
3. Find a quiet place to record.
4. Make a test recording, just ten seconds of you talking. Then listen to the recording to make sure it sounds ok.
5. Record your story.
6. When you finish, save it onto your device.
7. Upload your story using the QR code link below.

