

Navigating Loss on a Journey Toward Hope



An Interview Guide for Grandparents
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An Interview with Grandparents

Dear Grandpa/Grandma,

- 1. What was your first reaction when mom/dad told you they were going to adopt me?
- 2. Before that moment, what was your experience with the idea of adoption, have you heard of it before? From where?
- 3. You grew up in a different time than me, what was that like, what are some of the major differences you personally notice, between when you were a child and today?
- 4. What does "racism" mean to you, and have you ever experienced it?
- 5. What were some of the big events in your life, for you personally, and also for the nation and the world, which ones left an impression on your memory, and how do you remember those times?
- 6. How has me being adopted changed your outlook on life, or on the idea of family; have there been any surprises or lessons you've observed?
- 7. What advice would you give me as you think about my journey in the world, what do you think I should know, would you want me to know?
- 8. I know you're cheering for me! What are some ways you'd like to support me in my story as an adoptee? Thank you in advance, Grandma/Grandpa! <3

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