



WORKSHEET D – MEMORANDUM

Interview Questionnaire [Optional]

Interview with an elderly about the Solar System.

Learner's Name: _____ Date: _____

Person Interviewed: _____

Age: _____ Date of birth: _____

Explain to the person (parent, grandparent or an elder person in the community) what information you would like and that it is for a school project. Explain that you would like to find out what they know about the Solar System. Mention that you would also like to hear any stories about how they use the stars to plan their activities - for example, when to do washing or plant crops. Questions you could ask are: [You can also formulate your own questions.]

- 1) Do you know the names of any stars or groups of stars?
- 2) Can you tell me where they would be in the sky at night?
- 3) Are they always in the same place?
- 4) Are they there the whole year?
- 5) Do you have any stories about how stars got to be in the sky?
- 6) Do you know why the Moon's shape changes?
- 7) Do you know why we have winter, summer, spring and autumn?
- 8) Do you use any objects like the stars to plan what you do?

Record your answers and write an A4 page long essay on the answers. Add some of the information you know from what you have learnt in class and how it explains what the elderly believes.

Submission date: _____

Remember to thank the person whom you had interviewed.

Add any other information that the person shared about the stars and the moon.

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- The teacher must use her/his own discretion for this task.
- The learners' answers will differ, because people have their own opinions and concepts about the solar system.
- Allow the learners to report back.
- Let them also explain:
 - How they felt when they had to set a date for the interview.
 - The reception they got.
 - If the person was friendly and co-operative.
 - If the person is a relative, neighbour or stranger.
 - Is it easy / difficult / uncomfortable to interview an older person? etc.

A mark out of 10 can be allocated.