

Pregnant Women Can't Make Pickles: The Joy of Oral History

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1. What is Oral History?

- From Herodotus to Venerable Bede to Samuel Johnson to You!
- Introduction

2. Why is it important?

- Family History
- Correcting State-Manipulated Records in Former Dictatorships and Communist Countries

3. How do we do it?

- The Technique of Listening
 - Listen to the Silence
- Cultural Awareness
- Insights to Keep You Out of Trouble
- Emic vs Etic
- Interviewing People with Learning Disabilities
- Traumatic Narratives
- Advocacy Oral History
- Intergenerational Interviewing

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