

Name of Journalist: _____

Interviewing Skills: The Locker Exam

Step 1: Take a look at the contents of the locker. Make notes about what you see that might be valuable in formulating questions about the owner, who will soon be your interviewee.

Step 2: Write ten **open-ended questions** about the owner based only on what you observe.

Step 3: Interview the owner. NO ONE CAN ASK THE SAME QUESTION TWICE, SO COLLABORATE TO AVOID THIS. Take notes in the following space. **As you interview, be quick on your feet. Write two follow-up questions and two challenge questions for the interviewee.**

Follow-up Questions:

1. _____

2. _____

Challenge Questions:

1. _____

2. _____

Notes:

Step 4: As a class, ask follow-up and challenge questions. Take notes.

Step 5: Each person in the class is to write an article of 450-550 words based only on the interview and vehicle. Use proper journalistic writing and post it on our blog. You must also include at least one visual/graphic for your article. This may be a photograph, a video, or a relevant graphic.