**Interview: Eline her grandpa**Family life

Name: Willem  
Age: 86  
**part 1**

**1:** **How many people were in your parents’ family?  
How many people lived in the same house?  
Nuclear or extended family? Explain.**I lived with my parents and my 12 siblings in one house, it was a nuclear family. **2: What was the profession of your father/mother?**Dad was a performer on dredge and my mom stayed at home for housekeeping.  **3: Where did you live with your family?**With a living boat in the water and we changed locations a lot.  
**4: Do you remember any historical fact / event when you were a teenager (between 12 and 16 years old) either in India or in EU or worldwide. Why were you impressed by that event?**The war in 1940, I was shocked. After the war a lot of Dutch people had to go to Japanese camps.

**Part 2**

**1: Which family matters did your parents discuss with the children when you were a teenager?: free time, studies, holidays, purchases, renovation of the house?**We didn’t talk about much since we didn’t really have enough time to talk, it was mostly working.  
**2: What main values were taught by your parents when you were a teenager?**To always be honest.  
**3: Was there any hierarchy in the family (father-mother-boys-girls)? Explain.**No, as long as everybody was listening there weren’t any hierarchy’s.  
**4: What did you like most in your family? Explain.**Every Sunday we all took a bath together (back then it wasn’t one bath, it was just one big tub) and after we were all washed we peeled peanuts together. **5: Can you remember one very special event/occasion that you really felt the importance of being member of a family?**No. **6: Do you think that the role of a family has changed since you were young?**The circumstance of the family do seem to have gotten better over the year.