

Sample Questions for NHDKy Judges

Begin your interview by asking students basic questions to ease any nerves and build confidence:

- Why did you choose your topic?
- How do you see your topic fitting into this year's theme?
- Why did you choose the exhibit/website/paper/performance/documentary category?

Move on to more challenging questions:

- Why do you consider this topic significant?
- What was your most useful source? Why?
- How has your understanding of your topic changed throughout this process?
- How did your primary sources help you understand this topic?
- What were the biggest obstacles you experienced in doing this project?

End the interview by allowing students to bring up any additional information:

• Is there anything else you would like to share about your topic that we did not ask you?

Remember: The interview is the <u>student's</u> chance to demonstrate their knowledge. We respect and value the content knowledge of our judges, but please ensure all questions focus on helping the <u>student</u> show their knowledge!