

THUMB NAIL SKETCH

INTERVIEWER Dr. Suneo Takehara INT. NO. 5 DATE 30 DEC. 1945
PLACE Tokyo LIST NO. 2 R. NO. 40
TIME INTERVIEW BEGAN 0825 TIME INTERVIEW ENDED 1130

PURPOSE: To provide the research leader and coder with critical items concerning the respondent and his attitudes towards the interview which are not covered by the factual data sheet but which are important in analyzing the transcript of the interview.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. No special questioning of the respondent is to be made to obtain information for the thumb nail sketch.
2. The thumb nail sketch must be made out immediately after the interview.
3. Each question 1 through 7 must be answered. If you have no comment on questions not calling for a check, please enter "none".
4. The information given in the thumb nail sketch should not be interpreted as substituting for comments in the interview write-up. Be sure to include all important items regarding the respondent's rapport, psychological reactions, etc. during the interview in the interview write-up.

1. Appearance of respondent: (Interviewer to check one box in (a), (b) and (c).)

(a) Robust health	<input type="checkbox"/>	(b) Richly dressed	<input type="checkbox"/>
Average health	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Adequately dressed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Poor health	<input type="checkbox"/>	Inadequately dressed	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) Very Clean	<input type="checkbox"/>	(d) Other comments on appearance:	
Moderately clean	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Dirty	<input type="checkbox"/>		

2. General psychological reaction of Respondent during interview: (Interviewer to check one)

- Seemed very much at ease throughout interview
- Occasional nervousness during interview
- Nervousness throughout interview
- So upset that interview was very difficult

Other important reactions at time of interview:

3. Cooperation of Respondent: (Interviewer to check one)

Apparent frankness

Some evasiveness at times

Much evasiveness during interview

4. Alertness of respondent: (Interviewer to check one)

Minimum of probes necessary to get reasonably complete and relevant answers.

Considerable probing necessary to get reasonably complete and relevant answers.

Much probing necessary but answers are not very complete and some are not very relevant.

5. Intelligence of respondent: (Interviewer to check one)

Above average intelligence

Average intelligence

Low intelligence

6. Significant remarks of respondent regarding his expectations of the interview (Interviewer to record unusual items that helped to structure the interview situation before the respondent arrived at the place of interviewing.)

7. Other comments by Interviewer:

1. The livelihood at present is very difficult - There is the inflation that has made prices go up and makes it very hard to obtain commodities - I have hopes that things will become better in the future - There is at present a shortage of food, rain in season and no peacetime industries to produce commodities.
2. During the war, because of the strict ~~rationing~~ ^{rationing} it became very hard to live. It is better now that the rationing is not as severe but there is a shortage of food.
3. I was always worried about how the war would turn out and wondered if Japan could win - I thought that I was being fooled by the army - (4) I was also worried about defeat and we should not lose because we had been told so many times by the army that we would win.
4. I was running a home factory.
5. The capacity had gone down tremendously because it was very difficult to get materials since it was a home factory.

6. It was an ordinary P.I. I could get my material from my company but not from any other place.
7. I had to rest about 8 days a month because of raids.
8. CROSS REF. TO 7.
9. I had faith in the army and thought it was the greatest strength. P. Because it was this faith in the army that made this war go on and the army was fighting for the emperor.
10. The greatest weakness was the shortage of arms and material.
11. The leaders had conducted this war by using orders and the people could not express their opinions in any way. What the people thought or said would never reach the leader.
12. The leaders had set too strict a ration on food and they had a metal drive and people had to sacrifice household goods, machinery goods ~~and~~ to make new machinery but the leaders had no materials to make new.

machines and equipment.

13. At each time the govt changed, I felt that ~~the~~ ~~govt~~ ^{the govt} was not well coordinated. Whenever it changed I have my doubts whether this new govt will stay or not because they never told us their policies.
14. The people became more ~~harsh~~ ~~rude~~ ^{harsh & rude}. There was the forced laborer and the people had to do the job where they were placed and not their own skill so the people became more rude and harsh.
15. Yes, they all suffered alike.
16. Yes, from the time of the Fall of Marianas because the radios would say that the troops withdrew and were not defeated but I know better and thought it was defeat.
17. It was about Dec. of 44 (P). because the Philippines were just about lost and I had heard rumors about an invasion on the Lincas. The leaders would say they would defend the islands one by one they were being taken.

18. Yes, I felt that way - about in March
when the bombing had started because ^{inductive} ~~method~~
was dropped and there was no production.

I wondered how this war could go on any
longer.

19. I was contrary to my expectations

I wondered why the leaders did not surrender
before all this bombing had come.

20. When the occupation troops came I was very
uneasy but now I am grateful for the good
treatment. I wish that the policies would
be a little more ~~thorough~~ ^{thorough}. For example, there
is rice but there is not an even distribution.
The Japanese govt does not have the strength
to lead the process it needs the help of the
occupation force. The occupation force should
put a more strict regulation on robbery and
purging because it is getting so prevalent.

21. I'm hoping to build a home and I'm sure
there will be more work and ^{it} will be better.

21. From now on, Japan should build herself up as a peaceful nation. The militarists will be abolished so from now on Japan should be a nation of complete peace.
- 22a. The ~~future~~ ^{policies} were very bad and the emperor was not responsible for this war. The emperor, the army and the govt should be separated and he should be alone ~~and~~ be a monarchy. He should not be concerned with the govt and the scheme.
23. If there was defeat, there was an order from the govt that everyone should kill themselves or fight to the end.
24. I've seen them several times. It had said that the militarists was bad and should be ousted and had a picture on it. I could not get a good look at it because they were picked up immediately.
- I thought that if Japan was winning the war, those leaflets would never be dropped.

25. No, I did not hear of any -
26. I thought it would be spared. (P). Around my home was never bombed so I thought I would be spared.
27. I thought Japan would have some bombings because I heard that air craft carriers were near Tokyo and also some submarines.
28. The responsibility was with Japan because the army should have never let any planes come into the homeland.
29. During the war, I did not think too well of the Americans. (P) They should have had a better understanding to the peace treaty and given it more consideration.
30. It was very unreliable and put in much propaganda. When I come to think of it now, it was all lies.
31. Yes, I heard it. (P). I only heard it from other persons so I took it all as rumour.

32. The flames were very high and all I said was "here they come". (P) It was the summer of last year.
33. I thought it was adequate at the time but now I think it is inadequate. (P) because during the last raid the shelter was burned. It was woodwork with dirt over it.
34. The army said that the atomic bomb was nothing at first but later I heard about its great power and I was very frightful of it.
35. Yes, it was on Feb 29. that a bomb was dropped about 25 meters away and on March 30 I had another bombing and my child was killed.
36. It was on the day it had snowed and when I heard the alarm I ran to the shelter. It was snowing and could not see the plane and could only see where the bombing was by the wind of the bombs.

Just when I think the bombing was over another bomb would drop and I had ^{to} run into the shelter again. On the March 10 bombing incendiaries were dropped in a circle and every one was trapped in the fire and there were many casualties. (P) The feeling at that time was worse than warfare and I don't think it can be compared to battle. It was a great sacrifice.

37. Night - (P) because it is colder at night and lights cannot be used - also planes can not be seen.

38. There is much more fire damage by incendiary but explosive cause more casualties and the concussion is terrific - I'm afraid of both because both has effects.

39. I gradually became use to it and I would get the feeling of "here comes another raid" and would so accordingly -

40. The wounded were taken to the aid station of the city and all others were taken to the shelter in the area. (P) I thought it was very inadequate.

41. There was no aid to mention.

Evacuation Schedule A.

1. My wife was sick so I left my wife at Fushabashi and after my home was bombed I went there to stay.
2. I lost all thought of war because my daughter had been killed and I only thought of my family.
3. Yes, on Feb 29.
4. I moved voluntarily and yet forced to go to my other home because the one I was staying in was bombed.
5. None.
6. No, because I took a few days to find them and one was dead. I sent the other folks ahead but later we were all together.
7. It was worse than Tokyo because there was less ration.

8. I feel bad to evacuate because I had
to leave my home where I was born -
and reared.

4. I got no special treatment -

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8. I only felt sad taking two children in a crowded train. The trip took 9 hours. It was worse than a cattle car (animal car). (Refer # 2)
9. I went to my mother so we were treated very cordially.

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