Psychology 4610 Interview Paper Questions

Begin by obtaining the following demographic information from your respondents. *(This will be listed on page 1 of your final paper – you may also ask them for additional demographic information if you would like)***.**

First Name of Respondent: _____

Age of Respondent: _____

Sex (circle one): Male or Female

Racial Identity:_____

Highest level of education completed: _____

Occupations:_____

Marital Status: _____

Number of Children: _____

Number of Grandchildren: _____

Next, ask the interviewee each of the following questions. Take notes on their responses. Keep in mind that you may change the wording or ask follow-up questions if you need to.

You will summarize this information on pages 2-8 of your final paper – 1 page per question. **In summarizing answers to the last question ALSO reflect on how this assignment has shaped your understanding of the psychology of aging.** See above for more details.

1. In your opinion, what are the events that have defined your generation / your age group? What makes your generation different from the current generation of college-aged students?

2. Some people feel either older or younger inside than their actual age. How old do you usually feel?

3. What changes have you noticed in your appearance or physical abilities as you have gotten older?

4. What changes, if any, have you noticed in your memory abilities as you have gotten older?

5. Do you think wisdom increases with age?

6. When you think about who you will be in the future, what do you hope to be? What are you afraid of becoming?

7. What are the most important lessons you have learned in life?