Family Reunion Storytelling Checklist

Plan a gathering that captures every voice

Pair this checklist with the <u>Family Reunion Storytelling Guide</u> and <u>Family</u> Reunion Story Games.

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•	Define storytelling goals (who we want to hear from, desired outputs).
•	Confirm reunion venue accessibility and quiet recording spaces.
	Recruit story lead, recorder, archivist, logistics partner.
	Share save-the-date including storytelling expectations.

2-3 Weeks Before

Build prompt decks (elders, peers, kids, blended families).
Assemble supplies: kraft paper, markers, audio gear, name tags.
Schedule storytelling sessions on the reunion agenda.
Prepare sign-up sheet for one-on-one interviews.
Set up shared Keepsake folder with subfolders by day.

1 Week Before

•	Print agendas with icons/legend for accessibility.
•	Assign volunteers to Welcome Wall, Legacy Letter station, Scavenger
	Hunt.
•	☐ Test audio recorders and back-up batteries.
•	☐ Draft opening remarks and safety guidelines.

Day 1 (Arrival)

• Set up Welcome Wall and prompt cards.

	Encourage guests to add name/pronouns to badges.
	Record first impressions and travel stories.
ay	2 (Main Programming)
	Run morning timeline or interview sessions (30–45 min).
	Capture Story Scavenger Hunt results.
	Facilitate Meal Story Toasts; assign note-taker.
	Keep hydration/snack station stocked.
Day	3 (Closing)
	Host time capsule ceremony; label contents.
	Collect written prompts, gratitude cards, story sheets.
	Remind attendees where to upload photos/audio post-event.
Pos	t-Reunion (Within 7 Days)
	Upload all media to Keepsake with consistent tags.
	Photograph physical artifacts and timeline strips.
	Send recap message with top quotes and archive link.
	Schedule follow-up interview sessions based on gaps.
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