

I have developed the following questions as a sample interview for a villager living in one of the sites I will visit in an upcoming research project. The questions are crafted to gather information on the amount of time people have in the area to test their collective memory, and their daily lives to see if there are any practices that have been developed because of the volcano. Question 4 is important because it will determine if the participant perceives the volcano as a primary danger in their life. If the volcano is not mentioned in their answer, it will show that they view the risk of the volcano as lower than the dangers they mention. I will not mention the volcano before this question so that it will not be given as a response unless it is truly viewed as a primary danger. Questions 5 -13 deal directly with the volcano, asking for the participants' perceptions of how the volcano affects their life, if at all, their history with the volcano, and their perceptions of the volcano. I hope to discover if there is any mystical or spiritual significance attributed to the volcano with these questions, as well as their views on the meaning behind volcanic activity. I also want to understand any misconceptions they might have of the activity of the volcano. This will uncover their knowledge of the great geological force on their land. The questions that I will use for the in-depth interviews are as follows:

1. How long have you and your family lived in this area?
2. Tell me a little bit about your life?
3. What are the things you do in a typical day?
4. What are the main dangers in your village/town?
5. Does the volcano have an impact on your life?
6. What is the relationship between your village and the volcano?
7. What did your ancestors say about the volcano?
8. How has the volcano affected your family and your village?
9. How dangerous is the volcano?
10. *If so*, how can you tell if something dangerous is about to happen?
11. *If not*, how would you know if the volcano might become dangerous?
12. What do you do if dangerous signs are coming from the volcano?
13. Will the volcano become dangerous in your lifetime?

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