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Date _____

“The History of My Name” Family Interview Research
Based off of the reading *Names/Nombres* by Julia Alvarez

Interview a parent or other family member to learn about how you got your name. Use what you learn from your interview to answer the questions on this page. Try to answer as many of the questions below as possible. Write your answers in complete sentences.

1. Who picked out your name? _____



2. How did they decide on your name? Is there a story behind your name?
If so, what is it?

3. Does your name have any personal or cultural meaning to your family?
For example, were you given your name to honor someone?

4. What does your name mean? For example, the name Yee in Chinese means friendship.

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5. Does your family call you by any nicknames? How did you get your nicknames?

6. What do you like about your name?

7. Did you learn anything else that you'd like to share?

Honoring Student Voices: As a group, discuss the reasons why names are important to people.

Extending Learning: Why is it important to pronounce others' names correctly?

Your child is going to interview you about the story behind his/her name. Please elaborate as much as possible, so that your child will be able to write a detailed report about his/her name. Thank you!