Questions to Guide Book Research for the Immigration/Migration Project

Name of person you are researching_______________________________________________________
Where he/she came from___________________________________________________________________
Where he/she moved to____________________________________________________________________
Year he/she moved________________________________

1. How many people are or were there in the country or city of origin (the place where you or your relative started out)? In other words, what is or was the population?

2. What are or were some holidays or special celebrations in the country or city of origin?

3. What are or were the main industries in the country of origin (where do people work and what do they do?)?

4. What problems (push factors) are or were there in the country or city of origin that cause(d) people to want to leave?

5. Was there a time when a lot of people wanted to leave the country or city of origin and why? In other words, when was emigration/migration from this place the highest (a decade or era or period)?
6. How many people have moved from your country or city of origin to your destination (the place where you or your relative moved) country or city?

7. How do or did most people make this trip from the country or city of origin to the destination country or city?

8. If you are telling an immigration story, where do or did most people from your country of origin enter the United States? Ellis Island? Angel Island? Other?

9. Are there places in the United States where many people from the country or city of origin settled? What are or were some common attractions or pull factors that might have caused them to want to move to this destination?

10. What are or were some holidays or special celebrations in the destination country or city?