

A rapport building approach to the interview is recommended.

Name:	Location:
Interviewer(s) Name and Title:	Date and Time:

2. Explain what you meant by those words or actions.

3. What were you hoping would happen when/after you said/did that?

4. Is there any history or past issues that would help me understand this situation? Has this happened more than once?

5. How are you feeling now?

6. What are you planning to do now? (Is the student planning on carrying out the threat/violence?).

7. What are some alternative ways we could work together to resolve this issue/problem?

8. Has anyone ever told you they were worried because of something you said or did? If yes, ask the student to describe that situation to provide context.

9. Is there a family member or adult in your life that you trust enough to talk about important things or go to if something bad happened?

10. Who do you spend your free time with? What do you like to do together?

11. Who are the people you think know you best?

12. Do you have any interests or hobbies?

13. What are your goals for the future, what interests are you trying to pursue?

14. When you encounter a problem, how do you typically solve it? When you become angry or frustrated, what do you typically do?

15. Have you ever been interested in violent things? (This could include serial killers, school shooters, hate groups, mass attacks or other violence). If yes, ask the student to describe the interest to provide context.

16. Have you done any searching on how to do something violent? (If we looked at your devices, will we find anything that might make us worried?)

17. We are all impacted by things that happen in our lives. Have you experienced any difficult or traumatic events or changes in your life? Can you tell me more about this?

18. What are the most stressful things in your life right now? (home, friends, relationships, school, work, future)?

19. Are you experiencing any difficulties in your home environment? If so, please describe.

20. Have you ever used, or do you currently use any illegal/prescription drugs or alcohol?

21. Do you ever think about hurting yourself or others? **Note: thoughts of causing harm to self or others should result in an immediate suicide screening and follow up.**

If the student answered yes to the question above, ask additional open-ended questions to understand the circumstances surrounding these ideations and whether they have taken any steps towards advancing their intentions.

22. Do you have access to any weapons? If you wanted to get a weapon, how would you do that? Have you ever researched or practiced using weapons? (Reminder- weapons are not limited to firearms and can include knives, chemicals, or explosives).

If the student has access to firearms, ask how and where they are stored. Is the student able to access the firearms using a key or passcode?

23. Will you show me your social media accounts/cell phone?

24. Is there anyone else that we should talk to as we are trying to understand this situation?

25. Is there anything else that was not asked that I should know about?