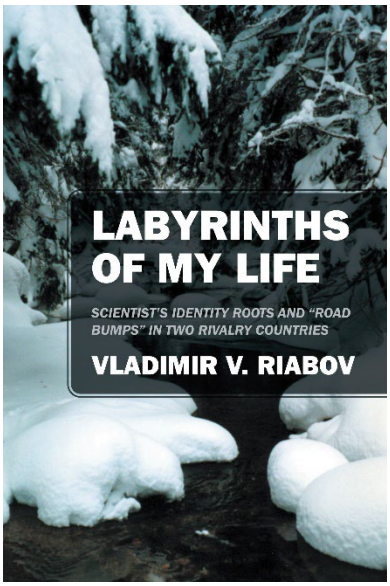
Top 5 Interview Questions for Labyrinths of My Life by Vladimir V. Riabov



From a childhood fascination with mathematics to a career in aerospace science, a life-changing move from Russia to the United States, and a continuing commitment to teaching and discovery, Dr. Vladimir V. Riabov has experienced a remarkable journey across two very different worlds. In *Labyrinths of My Life*, he reflects on the family roots, scientific ambitions, difficult choices, unexpected "road bumps," and relationships that shaped both his identity and his life's work. These questions invite Dr. Riabov to take audiences beyond the pages of his memoir and share the experiences, lessons, and discoveries behind his story.

1. Your title, Labyrinths of My Life, suggests a journey filled with unexpected turns. What does the idea of a "labyrinth" mean to you, and which turning points most profoundly changed the direction of your life?
2. Your passion for mathematics and science began when you were young. What first awakened that curiosity, and how did it ultimately lead you toward a career in aerospace science?
3. You built a scientific career in the Soviet Union before beginning a new chapter in the United States. What were some of the greatest challenges of leaving one world behind and rebuilding your personal and professional life in another?
4. Family roots, teachers, mentors, colleagues, friends, and students all play important roles in your memoir. Who had the greatest influence on the person and scientist you became, and what lessons from them have stayed with you?
5. Science and education have remained central purposes throughout your life. After decades as a scientist and educator, what do you most hope readers—and especially younger scientists, educators, and students—will take away from Labyrinths of My Life?