Family History Starter Workbook

Begin with what you know

General information only.
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Four-generation chart

Start with yourself. Write guesses in pencil.

#	Person	Born (date, place)	Died (date, place)
1	Me		
2	Father		
3	Mother		
4	Father's father		
5	Father's mother		
6	Mother's father		
7	Mother's mother		
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Family group sheet

One couple and their children. Copy for each couple.

Husband / partner: name, born, died

Wife / partner: name (birth surname), born, died

Married: date and place

Child	Born	Married to	Died

Sources

Interview questions

For a parent, grandparent, aunt or uncle.

	Ask	Asked
☐	Where and when were you born?	
☐	What were your parents' and grandparents' full names?	
☐	Where did the family live, and why did they move?	
☐	What jobs did people do?	
☐	Who served in the military?	
☐	What stories were told about the old country or old home?	
☐	Are there photos, letters or a family Bible?	
☐	Who else should I talk to?	

Interviewed, date and place

Research log

Every search, even the ones that found nothing.

Date	Person	Source searched	Result

Photo log

Who, where and when, before anyone forgets.

Photo / file name	Who	Where	When	Told by

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