

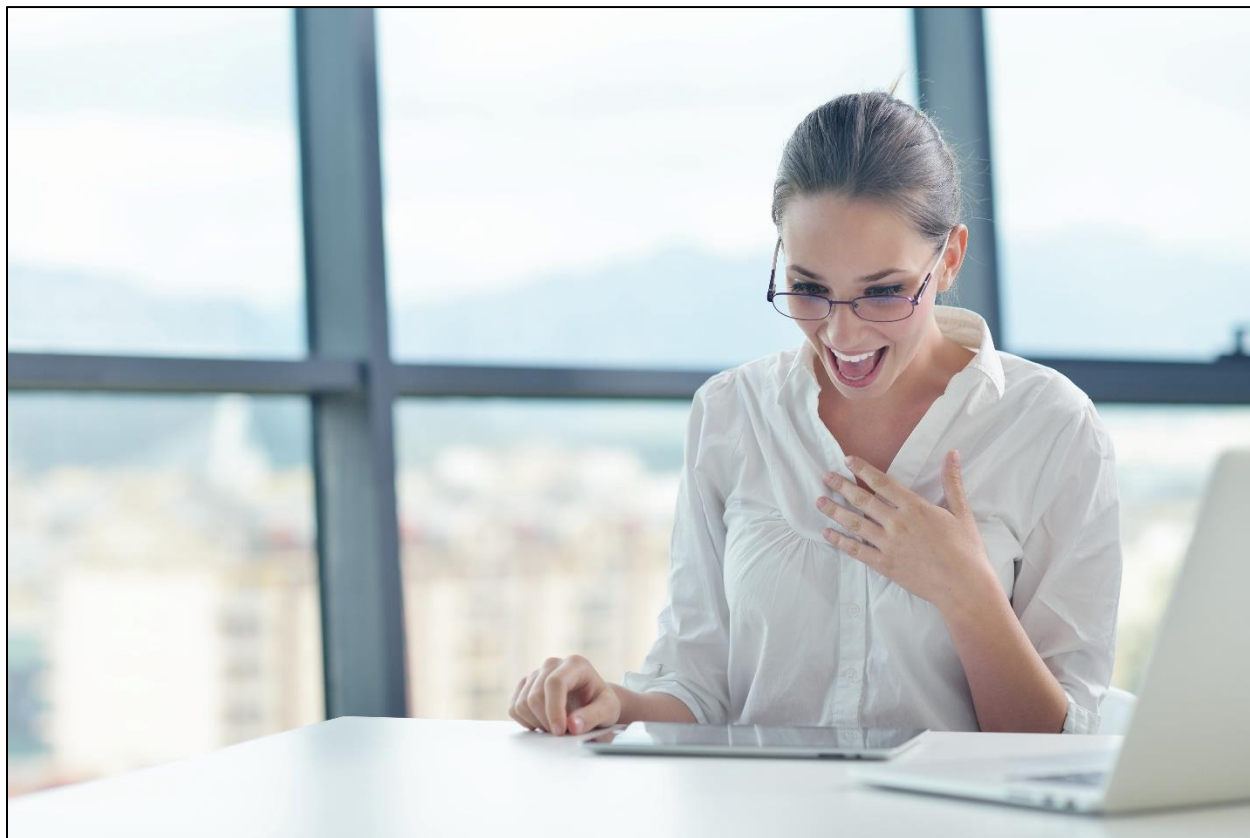


# The Family History Guide™

*It's free. It's fantastic. It's for you.*

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## The Family History Guide is ...

- *Free*—no ads, no fees.
- Approved by FamilySearch as a training resource.
- Visited by users in over 150 countries.
- Your go-to site for family history learning, activities, and research.



## Home Page ~ thefhguide.com

1. Click the logo to return to the Home Page from anywhere in the website.
2. Use drop-down menus to navigate each section.
3. Translate the website into 100 languages.
4. Search The Family History Guide for any topic.
5. Get a useful family history tip each day.
6. A 90-second video introduces The Family History Guide.
7. The Tour opens in a side panel, to walk through the site.
8. The Get Started page helps you begin your journey.
9. Mission Statement: We make your family history journey easier, more efficient, and more enjoyable.



# Get Started

<https://www.thefhgguide.com/get-started.html>

Find what speaks to you and learn how to pursue it ...  
with easy, step-by-step instructions and pictures.

## How Do I ...?

**What would you like to know about your ancestors? What are you curious about?**

Click a \*starred link below to open a list of "How Do I" questions. Then click a numbered question to see how The Family History Guide can help you find the answers you need. You can click the starred link again to close the list. (Click the logo in the upper left to return to the Home page.)



## The Basics

- \* [Use The Family History Guide](#)
- \* [Computer and Genealogy Basics](#)

## Memories (Photos, Documents, Stories)

\* [Explore Photos and Documents](#)

1. How do I organize my photos and documents?
2. How can I collect family records from others?
3. How do I interview living people to record memories?
4. What photos and memories for my ancestors are already on FamilySearch?
5. How do I upload photos to FamilySearch?  
Or to Ancestry.com?  
Or to MyHeritage?  
Or to Findmypast?



...plus Activities, Research, Social Media,  
FamilySearch Partners, DNA, and more!

The Family History Guide is built on a powerful yet flexible learning system:



1. Find a **Project** (FamilySearch, Ancestry, MyHeritage, or Findmypast)
2. Determine a **Goal**
3. Select a **Choice**
4. Follow the **Steps**

# FamilySearch, Project 1

## Goals:

**1: Navigate** 2: View Details 3: Children, Spouses 4: Find, Recents 5: Alternate Views 6: Change Info 7: Add Ancestors 8: Add Sources 9: Record Hints, Attach Sources 10: Notes 11: Merging 12: Charts and Forms 13: Account 14: Solutions Gallery [Open Choices](#) [Close Choices](#) [Show Me, Goal 1](#) [SEARCH](#)

## Here are the Steps for Goal 1: Navigate, Choice A:

### A Sign in to FamilySearch and move around the Family Tree screen.

#### Summary

*Note:* If you do not have a free FamilySearch Account, click **Create Account** (upper right) and follow the instructions. For more help with your FamilySearch account, refer to [Goal 13: Account](#).

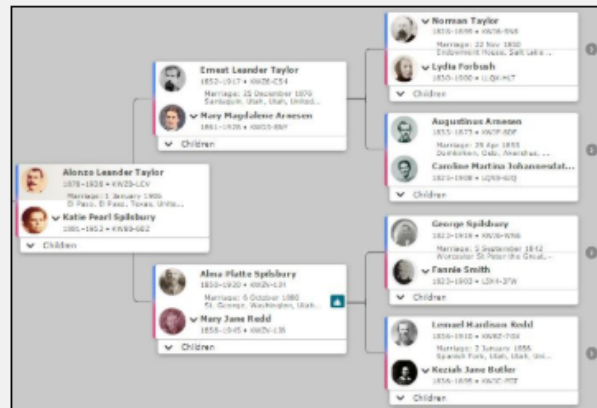
1. Go to [www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org) and near the upper-right corner of the window, click **Sign In**. (If Sign In is not visible, enlarge your browser window.)
2. Type your username and password, and click **Sign In**. If you have forgotten your username or password, click the link for username or password for help. For help with recovering an account or password, read this article.

☆  [FS—Retrieve a Forgotten Name or Retrieve a Password](#) | PT

Your FamilySearch **Home page** appears, showing personalized information about your family tree and helpful tools. To learn more about using your Home page, see Choice G below.

3. To display your family tree, in the top menu click **Family Tree** and select **Tree**. You will see "couple's boxes" (husbands and wives) with your ancestors' information. The Landscape view is the default.
4. Click and drag the mouse pointer anywhere on the Family Tree screen to move your family tree around.

*Note: If your family tree is empty or nearly empty, skip ahead to Choice F to begin filling it out.*



#### Exercises

# With The Family History Guide you can

## Learn FamilySearch

*Projects* | 1: [Family Tree](#), 2: [Memories](#),  
3: [Descendants](#), 4: [Discover](#), 5: [Indexing](#),  
6: [Help](#), 7: [Tech](#), 8: [DNA](#)



## Learn Ancestry

*Projects* | 1: [Get Started](#), 2: [Family Tree](#),  
3: [Docs / Photos](#) 4: [Research](#), 5: [Help](#),  
6: [Technology](#), 7: [DNA](#)



## Learn MyHeritage

*Projects* | 1: [Get Started](#), 2: [Family Tree](#),  
3: [Docs / Photos](#) 4: [Research](#), 5: [Help](#),  
6: [Technology](#), 7: [DNA](#)



## Learn Findmypast

*Projects* | 1: [Get Started](#), 2: [Family Tree](#),  
3: [Docs / Photos](#) 4: [Research](#), 5: [Help](#),  
6: [Technology](#), 7: [DNA](#)

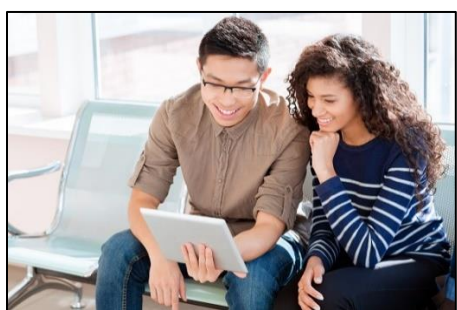


# Enjoy Family History Activities



## Families

1: Anytime, 2: Plan-Ahead, 3: Make Family History, 4: Document the Past, 5: Social Media, 6: Service, 7: Research, 8: CoJC



## Individuals

Same categories as above; designed for younger or older single adults.



## Youth

Same categories as above; designed for youth ages 12-18.



## Children

1: About Family History, 2: My Family Tree, 3: Group Fun & Games, 4: My Memories, 5: Stories, 6: Service, 7: For Latter-day Saints



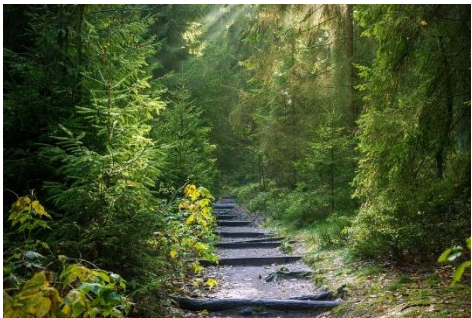
# Family History Pages for Youth



Find Ancestor Photos & Stories



Enjoy Family History Activities



Explore Your Family Tree



Discover Places and Cultures



Give the Gift of Indexing



Use Family History Apps

Also: For Latter-day Saints

# Explore a World of Research



## Country/Region/Ethnic Pages:

United States, Africa Misc., Asia Misc., Australia, Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Caribbean, Central America, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Eastern Europe, Ecuador, El Salvador, England, Europe Misc., Estonia, Fiji, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Mexico, Moldova, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Pacific, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Samoa, Scotland, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, South America, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tonga, United Kingdom, Ukraine, Uruguay, Venezuela, Wales

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U.S. States, Canadian Provinces, England Counties, Australia States

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African American, Asian, Basque, Hispanic, Jewish, Native American

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# Track Your Learning Progress





## Trackers (Microsoft Word)

Each Project has a Tracker sheet where you can take notes and measure your progress.

Goals / Choices	Notes	Status	Resources	Date
Goal 1: <a href="#">Navigate Family Tree</a> .	Goal Quiz Score: _____			
A: Sign in to FS, navigate Family Tree.				
B: Change the zoom in Family Tree.				
C: Expand and contract family lines.				

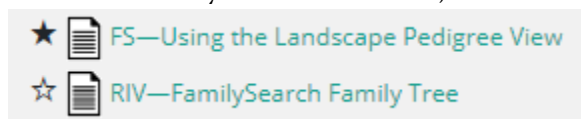
## Online Tracker

Create an online account, log in, and record your progress online. Use the Status slider bars to set your learning levels, as you complete Exercises in the Choices.

Goal 1: Navigate Family Tree.				
CHOICES	NOTES	STATUS		DATE
A: Sign in to FS, navigate Family Tree.	Signing in was easy; navigating took a bit of practice.		Good	Sep 12 2019
B: Change the zoom in Family Tree.			Proficient	Nov 7 2019
C: Expand and contract family lines.	Look for the arrows on the right side.		Proficient	Mar 2 2018
D: Customize pedigree view; review skills.			Not Started	Jan 8 2019

## Resource Stars

Mark articles you've read & videos you've watched, and list them in a report.





# The Family History Guide on Social Media



## Blog

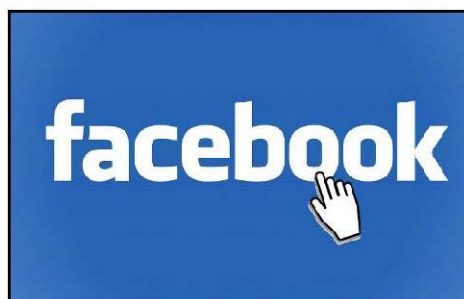
<http://www.thefhguide.com/blog>

Keep up-to-date with The Family History Guide and the world of family history, with three new articles per week.



## YouTube

Check out our YouTube channel, with Activities videos, the Show Me series for learning family history skills, and more.



## Facebook

[TheFamilyHistoryGuide/](https://www.facebook.com/TheFamilyHistoryGuide/)

Follow our Facebook page for updates to The Family History Guide, and tips from our users and trainers.



## Pinterest & Instagram

Check us out on Pinterest and Instagram for cool photos, quotes, and more.

<https://pinterest.com/thefamilyhistoryguide>

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Get Started



Family Tree



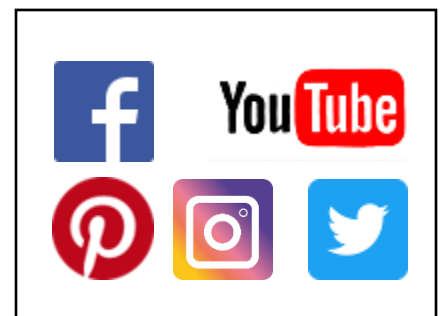
Partner Projects



Activities



Research



Social Media



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