



ACTIVITY 1

UNDERSTANDING WHAT YOU READ

Read the content for this topic then answer the following questions to see how much you understand about what you read.

1. Which word in the text relates to the study of family history?
2. What evidence is given to show that family history is a very popular hobby?
3. What does the word ancestor mean?
4. List three things you could find out when searching family history.
5. What term is given to 'a map of related individuals'?
6. At the start, who is the best person to ask firstly about your family's history?
7. List three types of certificates you can collect information.
8. What local location is a good place to check for information?
9. What does a genealogy software program provide?
10. Which month is dedicated to National Family History?



ACTIVITY 2

INTERVIEW AN OLDER RELATIVE

Below is a list of questions you could ask a relative from your family to help gather information. Choose ten questions that you think would be most beneficial.

When and where were you born?

Where did you live through your childhood and how did your family come to live there?

Did you have any family that lived close by? Who?

Describe your childhood home, do you remember the street you lived on?

What is your earliest childhood memory?

Where did you attend school?

Were you ever mentioned in a newspaper?

Where and when did you get married?

Is there a naming tradition in your family? Such as always giving the firstborn son the name of his paternal grandfather?

Does the family have any oral traditions? Stories passed down about parents? Grandparents?

Do you know of any famous or infamous relatives in your family?

Do you know of any family heirlooms that have been passed down in your family?

What is the full name of your spouse? Siblings? Parents?

What were the most relevant world events in your lifetime? How did they affect you and your family?

Do you know anything about your family surname?

Who is the oldest relative you can remember? What do you remember about them?



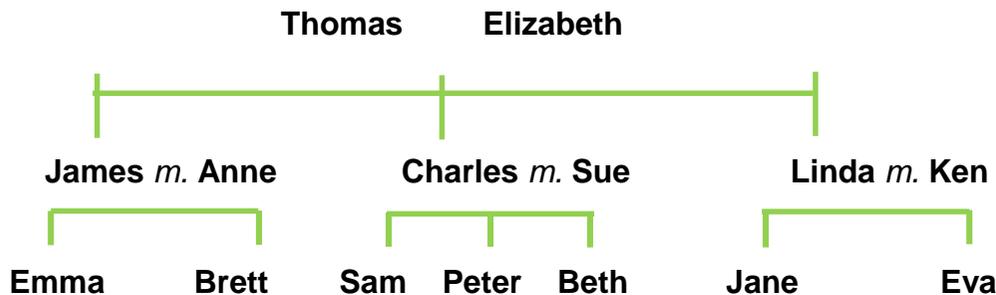


ACTIVITY 3

UNDERSTANDING A FAMILY TREE

Look at the family tree and complete the sentences using the words from the box.

aunt, cousin, daughter, daughter in law, father, father-in-law, granddaughter, grandfather, grandmother, grandson, husband, mother, mother-in-law, nephew, niece, son, son-in-law, uncle



- Anne is Brett's _____
- Elizabeth is Sue's _____
- Peter is Charles' _____
- Ken is Thomas' _____
- Thomas is Emma's _____
- Jane is Elizabeth's _____
- Linda is Beth's _____
- Sam is James' _____
- Elizabeth is Eva's _____
- Charles is Sue's _____
- Thomas is Anne's _____
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ACTIVITY 4

WORDS AT WORK

In Wordy News this week we defined the word DESCENDANT which was used in the following way: **Teacher's descendant joins**

The word descendant comes from the word descend.

In the following sentences fill in the blanks with words formed from the word descend.

The climber **descend**_____ the mountain with care as it was steep and slippery.

The lady has been regarded as the direct **descend** _____ of the famous musician.

Can you place the number in **descend**_____ order?

My family **descend**_____ from the Royal family.

As the storm approached the large black clouds **descend**____ like a blanket.

His long lost **descend**_____ left him a large amount of money in the will.

While ascending or **descend**_____ steps at stations you should hold on to the rail.

She **descend**_____ the stairs listening for any noises.

As the woman **descend**____ the side of the building we will take a video of the world record attempt.



ACTIVITY 5 CHECK IT OUT

The following books were all released this month.
Match the book title /author with an idea from the book.



The Shepherd's Crown by Terry Pratchett
Coco Banjo has been Unfriended by N.J. Gemmell
Izzy Folau 3: Pushed to the Limit by David Harding with Izzy Folau
Ranger's Apprentice The Early Years: The Tournament at Gorlan by John Flanagan
Ollie and the Wind by Ronjojoy Ghosh
Magisterium: The Copper Gauntlet by Cassandra Clare and Holly Black
Alice-Miranda in the Alps by Jacqueline Harvey

Callum Hunt's summer break isn't like other kids'. His closest companion is a Chaos-ridden wolf, Havoc.

As the fairy horde prepares for invasion, Tiffany must summon all the witches to stand with her. To protect the land.

Her best friend N wants to join Belle's group. Has she been unfriended?

The team is faced with the temptation to thrash their inexperienced opponents but soon find that winning that way isn't as fun.

Off to Switzerland to ski, sightsee and experience the unique White Turf racing event.

The scheming Baron Morgarath is drawing other power-hungry knights and barons to his banner.

There aren't many people around, but there's lots of space to play.



ACTIVITY 6 NEWS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

The following story needs to go to print but it hasn't been checked for errors. Find the ten spelling and punctuation mistakes.

NATIONAL family History Month was a highlite for one local biloela family when photos and a letter were found inside a magazine bought from a second-hand store. Jeff McLennan was flicking threw the Central Telegraph and saw his own face and those of his family and friends in a series of snapshots They had been published in the newspaper in a bid to find the owner. The mystery was solved when Mr McLennan shared the news with her family. His mother was tidying up her home a few weeks beforehand and give the magazine away, not knowing what it enclosed. inside were childhood photos and a litter Mr McLennan's father wrote in the Second World War. The find was a peace of family history that has added more insight into the McLennan's past.

