

Family history document quiz

Take the family history challenge and see what you know...



DOCUMENTS FOR BEGINNERS

CERTIFIED COPY OF AN ENTRY OF BIRTH COPI DILYS O GOFNOD GENEDIGAETH

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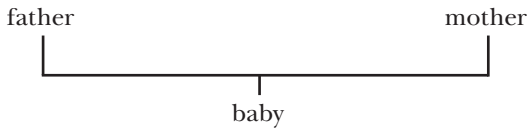
Application No. } PAS 131156 / 68 / 1
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REGISTRATION DISTRICT DOSBARTH COFRESTRU		<i>Cardiff</i>									
BIRTH in the Sub-district of GENEDIGAETH yn Is-ddosbarth		<i>Caerphilly</i>									
		in the <i>County of Glamorgan</i> yn									
Columns— Colofnau:—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10*	
No.	When and where born	Name if any	Sex	Name and surname of father	Name, surname, and maiden surname of mother	Occupation of father	Signature, description and residence of informant	When registered	Signature of registrar	Name entered after registration	
Rhif	Pryd a lle y ganwyd	Enw os oes un	Rhyw	Enw a chyfenw'r tad	Enw, cyfenw a chyfenw morwynol y fam	Gwaith y tad	Llofnod, disgrifiad a chyfeiriad yr hysbysydd	Pryd y Cofrestrwyd	Llofnod y cofrestrwyd	Enw a gofnodwyd wedi'r cofrestru	
<i>377</i>	<i>1st week July 1855 Tollan Glynspan</i>	<i>Francis George</i>	<i>Boy</i>	<i>George Wiltshire</i>	<i>Lanc Wiltshire formerly Tollan</i>	<i>Labourer</i>	<i>X The mark of George Wiltshire Father Tollan Glynspan</i>	<i>1st week August 1855</i>	<i>George Elias Deputy Registrar</i>		

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BIRTH CERTIFICATE

1. Show how a birth certificate can help you fill in your family tree? Using this example birth certificate above, fill in the names for baby, father and mother on this mini family tree layout



MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

2. Look at this marriage certificate below and answer the following questions:

- what does this certificate tell you about the ages of the bride and groom?.....
- what are the fathers of the bride and groom called?.....

CERTIFIED COPY OF AN ENTRY OF MARRIAGE



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Application Number COL377106

1857. Marriage solemnized at *St Philip's Church* in the *Parish* of *Birmingham* in the County of *Warwick*

No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the Time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
	<i>15th December 54</i>	<i>John Robinson</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>Bachelor</i>	<i>Sheet Iron Case Maker</i>	<i>Wearman Row</i>	<i>James Robinson</i>	<i>Sheet Iron Case Maker</i>
		<i>Margaret Ediza Cheshire</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>Single</i>	<i>Spinner</i>	<i>Wearman Row</i>	<i>Thomas Cheshire</i>	<i>Wool Spinner</i>

Married in the *Parish Church of St Philip's* according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the *Established Church* after Banns by me, *Thomas Lott*

This Marriage was solemnized between us, *The Mark of John Robinson* in the Presence of us, *The Mark of Henry Robinson* and *The Mark of Margaret Ediza Cheshire* and *The Mark of William Hemmings*



REGISTRATION DISTRICT	LAMBETH
1840 DEATH in the Sub-district of Waterloo 2nd Part	in the County of Surrey

Columns:- 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
 No. When and where died Name and surname Sex Age Occupation Cause of death Signature, description and residence of informant When registered Signature of registrar

144	Twenty eighth of August 1840 at 11 Apollo Buildings	Henry Hall	Male	1 Year	Son of Mary Hall Servant	Dominion	Phonograph of Lucy Hancock present at the Death Apollo Buildings	Thirty first of August 1840	James Green Registrar
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DEATH CERTIFICATE

3. How old was this person when they died and what was their cause of death?

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The undermentioned Houses are situate within the Boundaries of the

No. of House	ROAD, STREET, &c., and No. or NAME of HOUSE	City or Municipal Borough of	Municipal Ward of	Parliamentary Borough of	Town of	Village or Hamlet, &c., of	Local Board, or (Improvement Commissioners District) of	Electoral District of	Whether Deaf and Dumb Blind, Insane or Liable to Insane
63	Quarry Row	1				Segehill	Segehill	Segehill	
64	"	1							
65	"	1							
66	Quarry Houses	1							
67	"	1							
68	"	1							
Total of Houses..		6	Total of Males and Females..		13	11			

* Draw the pen through such of the words as are inappropriate.

CENSUS

4. Have a look at this page from the census and answer the questions below:

- a) How many separate households can you see on this census page?
- b) What is 'Do' an abbreviation of?

5. Name a website that you can find digitised collections of the censuses for England and Wales on (if you know more than one include it too):

6. Which website is the official and cheapest one for ordering a birth, marriage or death certificate for England and Wales?

DOCUMENTS: NEXT STEPS

E.D. Letter Code		Registration District and Sub-district		PERSONAL OCCUPATION		See INSTRUCTIONS.							
ADDRESS.		SCHEDULE.		SURNAMES AND OTHER NAMES.		O. V. S. P. or I.		M. or F.		BIRTH.		S. M. W. or D.	
		No.	Sub. No.							Day.	Year.		
1		2	3	4		5		6		7	8	9	
10		11											
This record is officially closed.													
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108	do	156	1.	THOMAS WILLIAM A	-	M	13	SEP	14	M	Planning Production Clerk T.M. & OAKS BOOKS BOX MERS.		
			2.	THOMAS EMILY	-	F	2	SEP	14	M	unpaid domestic duties		
110	do	157	1.	OWEN HENRY R	-	M	25	OCT	97	M	LORRY DRIVER FOOD TRANSPORT		
			2.	OWEN LOUISA M	-	F	23	JUNE	95	M	unpaid domestic duties		
This record is officially closed.													
This record is officially closed.													
112	do	158	1.	BLITHE WILLIAM	-	M	22	AUG	01	M	Power Station Electrician Generators		
			2.	BLITHE GERTRUDE	-	F	1	MCH	07	M	unpaid domestic duties		
This record is officially closed.													
114	do	M 159	1.	HOGARTH BURKE IRENE D.	-	F	12	AUG	99	S	Railway Clerk		
This record is officially closed.													
			3.	BURKE WILLIAM H. D.	-	M	4	MCH	93	S	School Teacher (Special Training) Liverpool Education Committee		
116	do	160	4.	HARDY ISABELLA	-	F	7	JUNE	92	M	unpaid domestic duties		
118	do	161	1.	EVANS GEORGE E	-	M	31	MAY	02	M	Manuscript Reader (Newspaper)		
			2.	EVANS DORIS E	-	F	31	DEC	04	M	unpaid domestic duties		
This record is officially closed.													
120	do	162	1.	LIVERMORE DAVID H	-	M	18	NOV	06	M	Clerk (Timber Trade)		
			2.	LIVERMORE EVELYN	-	F	31	MCH	09	M	unpaid domestic duties		
This record is officially closed.													
122	do	163	1.	DEAN PERCY	-	M	19	FEB	00	M	MARINE ENGINEER. 2nd ENG. SS. SALVO (colours removed) HEAVY WORK		
			2.	DEAN IRENE M.	-	F	19	MAY	00	M	unpaid domestic duties		
124	do	164	1.	HOLLIDAY THOMAS E	-	M	11	MCH	09	M	Shop manager Retail groceries.		
			2.	HOLLIDAY RHODA E.	-	F	31	AUG	07	M	unpaid domestic duties		
126	do	165	1.	SMITH EDWARD	-	M	21	FEB	09	M	General Dairy broker		
			2.	SMITH GLADYS	-	F	9	MAY	07	M	unpaid domestic duties		
128	do	166	1.	JOHNSON FREDERICK	-	M	3	SEP	95	M	Jewelleryman SURGICAL INSTRUMENT EDGE WORK		
			2.	JOHNSON DAISY	-	F	11	APR	00	M	unpaid domestic duties		
			3.	JOHNSON NANCY	-	F	22	DEC	32	S	at school		
130	do	167	1.	WOODNORTH HARRY	-	M	3	AUG	93	M	Shop assistant Groceries & provisions.		
			2.	WOODNORTH ADA	-	F	12	MAY	97	M	unpaid domestic duties		

1939 REGISTER

7. Take a look at this page from the 1939 Register and answer the questions to follow:

- Why are some of the details officially closed?.....
- What is Rhoda Holliday's birthday?.....
- What was Gertrude Blyth's occupation recorded as?.....
- What does A.R.P. stand for?.....
- Which website can you access the 1939 Register on?.....

MEDAL INDEX CARD

8. There aren't many details on this medal index card, but there are some clues to be gleaned.

a) What world war does this medal index card relate to?

b) Which medals was this person eligible for?

c) What date did they arrive in France?

Name	Corps	Rank	No.	
EASTWOOD ALLAN J	14 th LOND. R.	2 nd LEUT.		
Medal	Vol.	Page	Clasp	Remarks
STAR				
BRITISH WAR				
VICTORY				
GEN. S.				
EFFICIENCY				
France 3.4.16-7.10.16				9/14.1.R./2078
<small>(921) W. 4758 20m (0.30) Gp. 487 CAS Ltd J. 1.829</small>				<small>File No.</small>

In the Name of God Amen

The third day of July anno Domini 1795 and in the Eleventh year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George by the grace of God of Great Brittain's France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith &c. John Sinton of the parish of St. Paul Shadwell in the County of Middlesex Esquire. being sick and weak in body but of sound mind and memory praised be Almighty God) do make publish and declare my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say first and principally I commend my immortal soul into the hands of almighty God my Creator and mercifull father and my body I appoint to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter named in hopes of a happy Resurrection to Eternall life by and through the merits and Intercession of my blessed Saviour Jesus Christ and all and singular my worldly Estate I give devise and bequeath as followeth (First) In primis I will and appoint that all my just debts and sumerall Charges and Expences shall be fully paid and satisfied from I give and bequeath unto my Nephew Robert Wilson near London Servy in the Kingdom of Ireland the sume of twenty pounds of lawfull money of Great Brittain also all my wearing apperrell and Cloaths to wett my brass button Coat waistcoat and breeches and my second best hatt and wigq which I give unto Joseph Dowsett of Shadwell Lighterman Item I give devise and bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Jane Sinton for and during the term of her natural life the Rent Issues and profits of all and singular my Messuages Lands Tenements and Apperitaments as well freehold as Copyhold and Leasehold Item I give and bequeath unto my said Wife Jane Sinton all and singular my silver plate

WILL

9. The handwriting of old wills can be a bit daunting at first glance, but you soon get your eye in.

a) What year does this will date from?.....

b) What was the name of the person making the will?.....

c) What is the reason for the horizontal dashes at the end of some of the lines?

d) How much money did he leave his nephew?.....

e) What else did he leave his nephew?

f) What did he leave to Joseph?