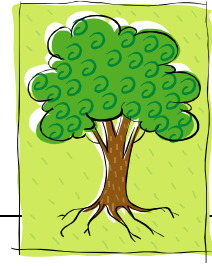


Discover Your Family's Origins



You've been given a research job as a **genealogist** - a person who researches family histories and origins. Your job is to research and build your own family's history as far back as you can go, paying special attention to the **location of people's births or places where they lived**.

Display

Display your findings on a piece of bristol board in a "tree" format with yourself in the bottom centre of the tree and each of your parents up and to the side of you. Their parents will branch off up and to the side of their names, and so on. Many families have multiple sets of parents, and there will be times where information about your ancestors is simply not available. **Do not worry about the "style" of your tree!** Design the tree to fit your family, not the other way around.

In order to fit all of the information on your tree, you may only have room for the *parents* of each generation (i.e. no brothers or sisters need be identified). If, on the other hand, you *do* have room to include brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, etc. etc. then do so!

For each person in the tree, identify their **name, birth and death years** (if available), and **place(s) where they lived** during their lives. Besides the accuracy of the data involved, the visual appearance of your poster is paramount. Think of ways to represent the geographic origins of your family through photos, maps, flags, etc. and be neat, tidy, and colourful with your display.

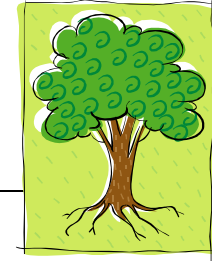
Presentation

You will be required to give a brief (2 minute) oral presentation of your findings, using your poster as your visuals. Provide an overview to your family's country or countries of origin and then spend a few moments on the characteristics of one or more of the countries. To complete your presentation, share some details about one or more of your ancestors who had an interesting profession or experiences during their lifetime.

Resources

You are encouraged to use all of the resources that may be available to you. Talk with your parents, grandparents, and all other relatives for their knowledge and documents that they might have regarding your ancestors. Start with the template provided to help you organize your information, but research back as many generations as you can!

If you have questions about the assignment in general, be sure to ask your teacher.



How to Organize Your Family Tree

