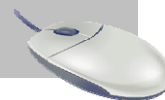


Tracing Your Ancestors: Family History resources on the Internet



Thanks to the wealth of information available on the Internet, tracing the history of your family has never been easier. The wide range of websites dedicated to genealogy, the study of family history, contain information and guidance which can help you begin to trace your family tree. Such websites are a good starting point for those beginning research into their family history as the information they contain can be accessed at home, and much of it for free.

Below you will find a list of useful websites. They have been divided into sections covering the main sources of information of use to the family historian, including census records, birth, marriage and death records and wills.

General Family History Websites and Genealogical Gateways:

www.familyrecords.gov.uk

www.rootsweb.com

www.genuki.org.uk

www.cyndislist.com

Commercial Genealogy Websites:

[to access all the material on these sites, including images of original documents, subscriptions may be required]

www.ancestry.co.uk census returns, birth, marriage and death indexes (records of civil registration) etc

www.1901censusonline.com the official 1901 census online

www.1911census.co.uk the official 1911 census online

www.genesreunited.co.uk family tree tracing site with nearly 100 million names online

www.findmypast.com birth, marriage and deaths indexes, census returns, national Burial Index, database for British service personnel etc

www.bmdregisters.co.uk baptism, marriage and burial records from nonconformists (non parish) registers, 1567-1858

www.origins.net genealogical data for British and Irish ancestors

Census:

www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/census The National Archives official Census website

www.ancestry.co.uk census returns, birth, marriage and death indexes [subscription required]

www.1901censusonline.com the official 1901 census online

www.1911census.co.uk the official 1911 census online

Birth, Marriage and Death:

www.gro.gov.uk the General Register office website for ordering copies of birth, marriage and death certificates

www.freebmd.org.uk free access to transcriptions of General Register Office indexes

www.familysearch.org website of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints provides access to the International Genealogical Index

www.ukbmd.org.uk on line transcriptions of UK birth, marriage, death and census records

Wills:

www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/documentsonline Prerogative Court of Canterbury (PCC) wills (13-84-1858) and Death Duty Registers (1896-1811)

www.hmcourts-service.gov.uk/cms/wills.htm Probate Registries in England and Wales

Military:

www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/militaryhistory/ records of those who served in the Army, Merchant Navy, Royal Navy, Royal Marines, Royal Air Force.

www.cwgc.org Commonwealth War Graves Commission. Information on soldiers who died in WW1 and WW2

www.roll-of-honour.com Roll of Honour for WW1 war dead

www.1914-1918.net/ information on the men and women who served during the Great War. Site specifically aimed at family and military researchers.

Photographs:

www.picturethepast.org.uk searchable database of images of heritage of North East Midlands

www.imagesofengland.org.uk English Heritage's photographic library of listed buildings across England

Online Catalogues:

<http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/onlinecollectionguide> a comprehensive guide to the archive collections in Derbyshire Record Office

www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/nra National Register of Archives: information on records held by repositories across Britain

www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/a2a/ database containing catalogues describing archives held locally in England and Wales

www.historicaldirectories.org digital library of local and trade directories for England and Wales, from 1750 to 1919

Newspapers:

http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/leisure/libraries/online_information/infotrac/default.asp online access to 19th century British newspapers, including the Derby Mercury (library subscription required)

<http://archive.timesonline.co.uk/tol/archive/> searchable database of every issue of The Times published between 1785 and 1985

Historical Background:

www.peaklandheritage.org.uk Peak District local history, geography and geology. Information on local customs, traditions and working life.

www.workhouses.org.uk information on life in the Workhouse and more

www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/localhistory/guide guide to resources for researching your local history

www.movinghere.org.uk history of migration to the UK. Provides an online catalogue of versions of original material related to migration history from local, regional and national archives, libraries and museums.

Other Useful Websites:

www.archon.nationalarchives.gov.uk/archon list, with contact details, of record repositories within the UK

www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/currency/ online currency converter to find out how yesterday's prices compare to today's prices

www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/palaeography/ help on how to read old handwriting found in documents written in English written between 1500 and 1800

www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/latin/beginners/ beginners' guide to the Latin used in documents between 1086 and 1733

www.192.com search electoral registers between 2002 and 2008