

EXPLORE YOUR PAST!!

Want to learn how to find out more about your family and ancestors?

Here are some tips and tricks to become an “Ancestor Detective”.

1. Start with.....YOU!
 - a) Write down all the names and information you know about your family. Write them into the Give Me Five chart below.

2. Ask family members.....
 - a) Interview your parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts and cousins. This will help you find more information about your ancestors. Ask questions like: where were they born and when? What are some of their memories about their families and about their childhoods?

3. Look for clues.... and become an Ancestor Detective!!
 - a) Special documents can help you find information about your family and family events.
 1. Baby books: Parents write information in baby books. Where were you born? What were your first words?
 2. Birth or death announcements: Some people announce the birth and death of family members in the newspaper. You can find important information, such as names of parents and important dates.
 3. Letters: New and old letters are a great way to find stories about your family.
 4. Photo albums: A photo album will give you many clues. Discover what family members looked alike, how they dressed, what they did, and where they lived.
 5. The Internet: Special Web sites can help you find information about your family history.

www.archives.ca

www.familysearch.org

<http://www.lib.pg.bc.ca/pgnewspapers/>

www.vs.gov.bc.ca

4. Fill out the Give Me Five Chart!

- a) The chart is like a family tree and it's a great way to keep the information you found during your research!
- b) Write down the information in each section. To make it easier for you, each person receives a number in the Chart. Pay attention to the numbers!

5. A project on your family.....it's showtime!

Create a presentation panel that shows the information you found on your family.
Your presentation can include:

- a) Your name;
- b) Your Give Me Five Chart;
- c) A fascinating facts section;
- d) Funniest story about your ancestors;
- e) Photos (photocopies);
- f) Photocopy of an old document;
- g) A favorite family recipe.

*Why not turn this family history into a project for the
Prince George Regional Heritage Fair!

<http://www.theexplorationplace.com/kid-s-programs/prince-george-regional-heritage-fair>



The give me five chart



1st generation

1. Me

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____

2nd generation

2. Father of #1

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____

3. Mother of #1

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____

3rd generation

4. Grandfather (Father of #2)

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____



5. Grandmother (Mother of #2)

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Date of Death: _____
Notes: _____

6. Grandfather (Father of #3)

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Date of Death: _____
Notes: _____

7. Grandmother (Mother of #3)

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Date of Death: _____
Notes: _____

4th generation

8. Great-grandfather (Father of #4)

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Date of Death: _____
Notes: _____

9. Great-grandmother (Mother of #4)

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Date of Death: _____
Notes: _____



10. Great-grandfather (Father of #5)

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____

11. Great-grandmother (Mother of #5)

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____

12. Great-grandfather (Father of #6)

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____

13. Great-grandmother (Mother of #6)

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____

14. Great-grandfather (Father of #7)

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____



15. Great-grandmother (Mother of #7)

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Date of Death: _____
Notes: _____

5th generation

16. Great-great-grandfather (Father of #8)

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Date of Death: _____
Notes: _____

17. Great-great-grandmother (Mother of #8)

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Date of Death: _____
Notes: _____

18. Great-great-grandfather (Father of #9)

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Date of Death: _____
Notes: _____

19. Great-great-grandmother (Mother of #9)

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Date of Death: _____
Notes: _____



20. Great-great-grandfather (Father of #10)

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____

21. Great-great-grandmother (Mother of #10)

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____

22. Great-great-grandfather (Father of #11)

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____

23. Great-great-grandmother (Mother of #11)

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____

24. Great-great-grandfather (Father of #12)

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____



25. Great-great-grandmother (Mother of #12)

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Date of Death: _____
Notes: _____

26. Great-great-grandfather (Father of #13)

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Date of Death: _____
Notes: _____

27. Great-great-grandmother (Mother of #13)

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Date of Death: _____
Notes: _____

28. Great-great-grandfather (Father of #14)

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Date of Death: _____
Notes: _____

29. Great-great-grandmother (Mother of #14)

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Date of Death: _____
Notes: _____



30. Great-great-grandfather (Father of #15)

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____

31. Great-great-grandmother (Mother of #15)

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

Notes: _____
