

Updated Terms for Family History Treasure Hunt Quizzes 2024

First Year

Names

<i>Ancestor</i>	One from whom you descend in a direct line.
<i>Descendent</i>	Offspring to the latest generation,
<i>Given Name</i>	First Name.
<i>Maiden Name</i>	The surname that a woman used prior to her first marriage.
<i>Nickname</i>	Alternative first name.
<i>Surname</i>	Family Name (last name), as distinguished from a given name.

Charts, Terminology

<i>Citation</i>	A quote of the source used for information.
<i>Family Group Sheet</i>	Data Chart for a marriage and children of the couple.
<i>Family Unit</i>	The parent(s) and child(ren) of one family
<i>Genealogy</i>	History of the descent of one person or family from an ancestor.
<i>Generation</i>	The average time between the birth of parents and the birth of their children, an average of 30 years.
<i>Pedigree Chart</i>	Multiple Generation Chart

Second Year

Resources

<i>Census</i>	List of residents in the country, state, or local entity.
<i>Christen</i>	To baptize or to name at baptism.
<i>Deed</i>	A legal document containing the record of the transfer of real estate or p property.
<i>Obituary</i>	Personal account of a deceased person published in the newspaper or website.
<i>Repository</i>	Archives.
<i>Vital Records</i>	Births, marriages, deaths.

Terminology

<i>Bibliography</i>	A list of books, periodicals and other sources used in a written work.
<i>Collateral Lines</i>	Aunts, Uncles, Cousins
<i>End Note</i>	A reference note or comment placed at the end of a page or chapter of a written narrative giving more information.
<i>Lineal</i>	Direct Line of ancestry
<i>Maternal</i>	Related to the mother.
<i>Paternal</i>	Related to the father.
<i>Proof</i>	Establishment of a fact by evidence or documentation.

Third Year

Tools

<i>Abstract</i>	Summary of information.
<i>Correspondence Log</i>	Used to record communication between two or more people.
<i>Extract</i>	To pull out exact wordage in a document.
<i>Index</i>	An alphabetical listing of names, subjects, or places taken from the text of a book.
<i>Research Log</i>	Used to help create documentation and keep track of what has been done.
<i>Research Plan</i>	Used to help you focus on the solution to a problem or conflict.
<i>Transcription</i>	An exact copy of the words and information found in a document.

Cemetery Terminology

<i>Cemetery</i>	A special piece of property set aside for the deceased
<i>Centograph</i>	A stone erected to memorialize an individual buried elsewhere.
<i>Graveyard</i>	Place of burial near a church.
<i>Interment</i>	Act of burial.
<i>Tombstone</i>	Stone or wood used to mark someone's burial place

Property Terminology

<i>Bounty Land</i>	A portion of Public Domain land given to soldiers for military service in place of monetary payment.
<i>Grantor</i>	Person by whom a grant is made
<i>Grantee</i>	Person to whom a grant is made.
<i>Homestead</i>	Agreement by which an individual agrees to live on and improve land for a specified period of time.
<i>Indenture</i>	Deed to which two or more persons or parties and to which these enter in reciprocal and corresponding grants or obligations towards each other,
<i>Patent</i>	Instrument making a conveyance for grant of public land.
<i>Quit Claim Deed</i>	Deed conveying the interest of the grantor at that time.
<i>Real Property</i>	Legal ownership interest in land and buildings.

Court Terminology

<i>Codicil</i>	Amendment, alteration, or addition to an original will.
<i>Executor or Executrix</i>	Person or persons appointed in will to administer estate.
<i>Heir</i>	By common law, the person who succeeds by the rules of law to an estate upon the death of an ancestor or descent or right of relationship.
<i>Intestate</i>	To die without making a valid will.
<i>Probate</i>	Act or process of proving a will
<i>Testator</i>	Deceased person who died leaving a will
<i>Testate estate</i>	Estate that is disposed by will.
<i>Will</i>	Written disposition of a testator's legally owned property.

Fourth-Sixth Years Word Quiz

Terminology

<i>Banns</i>	Public announcement in a church for a proposed marriage.
<i>Bond</i>	A promise by an individual if another individual fails to pay or perform a contractual agreement.
<i>Crying Sale</i>	Sale of property following the death of an individual.
<i>Dower Rights</i>	The rights one spouse has in real property.
<i>FAN Club</i>	Friends, Associates, Neighbors
<i>Guardian</i>	Oversees the financial affairs of a minor or the business of a person not capable of handling his or her own affairs.
<i>Ibid.</i>	Abbreviation used in footnotes and bibliographies
<i>Pension</i>	Set pay given to soldiers or widows of soldiers
<i>Progenitor</i>	Forefather
<i>Progeny</i>	Descendants
<i>Scrip</i>	A certificate permitting the owner to select a specified number of acres available in the public lands.

Immigration and Naturalization

<i>Declaration of Intention</i>	First Papers
<i>Emigrant</i>	One who leaves (exit) a country to settle in another place.
<i>Immigrant</i>	One who enters (in) and settles in a foreign country.
<i>Migration</i>	The act of moving from one place to another, usually within the same country.
<i>Naturalization</i>	Final Papers
<i>Oath of Allegiance</i>	Individual renouncing the government of another country.

Understanding Records

<i>Authored Work</i>	Narrative based on information from many sources.
<i>Correlate</i>	Two or more pieces of information that suggest and answer to a research question.
<i>Derivative Source</i>	Abstract, summary, or transcription of information
<i>Direct Evidence</i>	Information that provides the answer to a research question by itself.
<i>Indeterminable Information</i>	Information given by an unknown source
<i>Indirect Evidence</i>	Hearsay
<i>Negative Evidence</i>	Absence of information that answers a question
<i>Original Source</i>	Written report of action made at or near the time of the event.
<i>Primary Information</i>	Eyewitness Report
<i>Secondary Information</i>	Compare and Contrast