

## Episode 5: Choose an Ancestor and Question

5 minute challenge—Choose one ancestor and one question to research!

## Steps:

- 1. Start with yourself in your pedigree chart.
- 2. Choose the family line you want to know more about.
- 3. Stop at the first family line that seems to be missing information.
- 4. Look at a family group record of that ancestor. You may notice unusually large gaps in the ages of children, a wife with two different names, or other incomplete or inaccurate information.



## Helpful hints:

Choosing to learn more about one ancestor and one question will help you focus your search for records.

Be sure you know three things about the person you choose so you can find a record:

- 1. The name.
- 2. The date of a life event, such as a birth, marriage, or death.
- 3. The location of a life event.

## Family Tree: Another term for "pedigree chart", or the chart that maps your ancestry beginning with you and working its way back through your parents, their parents, and so on. Family Group Record: Record containing the information about each member of the family. A family consists of parents and children. A new record is made when a child marries.



