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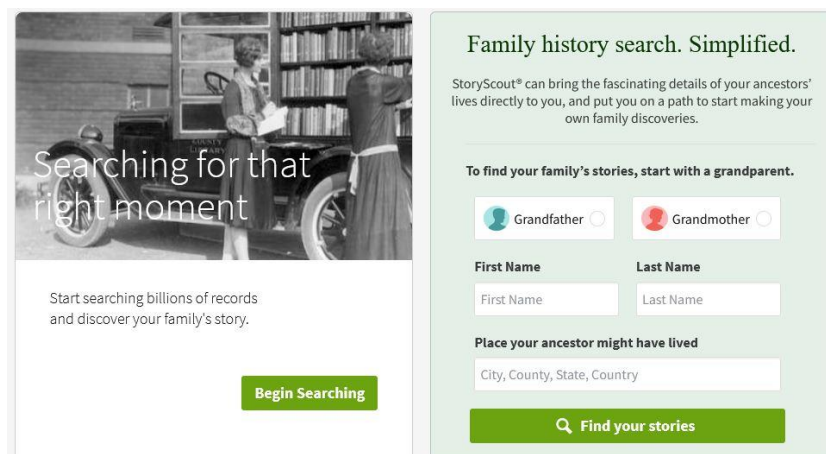
Ancestry is a website where you can find family history, there are over 30,000 records on Ancestry. When using any of the library computers or Wi-Fi, you can access our Ancestry database to work on your family history.

Steps in use

1. Visit library website connectedlibraries.org.au
2. Select online resources
3. Select Ancestry.com
4. Click on coloured link to access



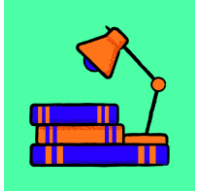
5. Front page will give you different ways to search – Storyscout will give you small anecdotes about your ancestor and the period they lived in



6. Use the search menu up the top to look up different types of records such as Military and travel records
7. Enter as much information about the person you are looking for as possible



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8. Select the record you would like to see

All Military results for John smith

Your search 1-20 of 294,758 Browse by collection

To get better results, add more information such as **Death Info and Location**—even a guess will help. [Edit your search](#) or [learn more](#)

U.S., National Homes for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, 1866-1938
 Name: **John E Smith**
 Birth: **Ohio**
 Residence: **1932 Dayton, Montgomery, Ohio, USA**
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U.S., National Homes for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, 1866-1938
 Name: **John H Smith**
 Birth: **Russia**
 Residence: **1929 Danville, Vermillion, Illinois, USA**
[View](#)

9. Inspect record – can save to computer, or email if you would like a record

U.S., World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 for James Smith

Form 1 **REGISTRATION CARD** No. **50**

1 Name in full: **James Smith**
 2 Home address: **1234 Main St, Chicago, Ill**
 3 Date of birth: **12 28 1895**
 4 How long (1) a natural born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention (specify which): **1234 Main St, Chicago, Ill**
 5 Where born (give name of state): **Illinois, USA**
 6 If not a citizen, at what consulate are you a citizen or subject?
 7 What is your present health, occupation, or office?
 8 By whom employed?
 Where employed?

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1 Full name: **James Smith** (Specify first, middle, or last initials)
 2 Color of eyes: **Blue** Color of hair: **Dark Brown**
 3 (Has person ever, by hand, last, or both times, or by other or disabled capacity?)
 I certify that my answers are true, that the person registered has read his own answers, that I have witnessed his signature, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:
father is accountably disabled
 J. W. Harrison (Signature of registrar)
 Precinct **18**
 City or County **Chicago**

10. Access the learning centre for help on researching

11. Or use the charts and forms to get premade ways to keep track of information

Learning Center Charts and Forms New Collections

Research Aids
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Looking to jumpstart your research? The experts at Ancestry have assembled a variety of tips and tricks to get your research moving again. Select one of the topics below to help you with your road blocks.

GETTING STARTED
 Whether you are just starting your family history or you are looking for a new perspective on your research these guides will put you in the right frame of mind.
 Ancestry Anne's Top 10 Search Tips
 Creating Timelines that Produce Answers
 Ancestry DNA 101: The Insider's Guide to DNA

CENSUS
 Census records establish a framework for your ancestor's life. We offer some tips on how to get the most out of them.
 10 Census Tips
 10 Census Questions That Lead to More Answers
 Follow Your Family Using Census Records
 5 Steps Beyond: The 1910 Census

BEYOND THE BASICS
 Ready to move beyond the census records? Here are a few ideas to get you moving.
 Using Religious Records
 Guide to Searching for Death Records
 5 Military Favorites
 Cemetery Research Primer
 Black Sheep: 10 Things to Know

Charts and Forms
 Download these charts and forms to organize your research.

Charts & Forms Census Forms

Ancestral Chart
 An ancestral chart records the ancestors from whom you directly descend—those for whom you intend to compile a complete and correct family unit. It shows at a glance the progress you have made towards this goal and what remains to be done.
[Download Form](#)

Research Calendar
 The research calendar gives an account of every record source you have searched and serves as a reminder of what you have already done and where you have found pertinent information.
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Research Extract
 Use the research extract sheets to summarize information which cannot be photocopied, for which there is no document in your possession, or for things such as deeds which may be time-consuming or difficult to reveal quickly when you need information from the copy you have.
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Correspondence Record
 It is important to keep track of those with whom you have corresponded, the reasons for writing, and whether or not you have already received an answer.
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12. Need to know more: check out the Family History section of our website.