

## LESSON 16

# Family History Activities

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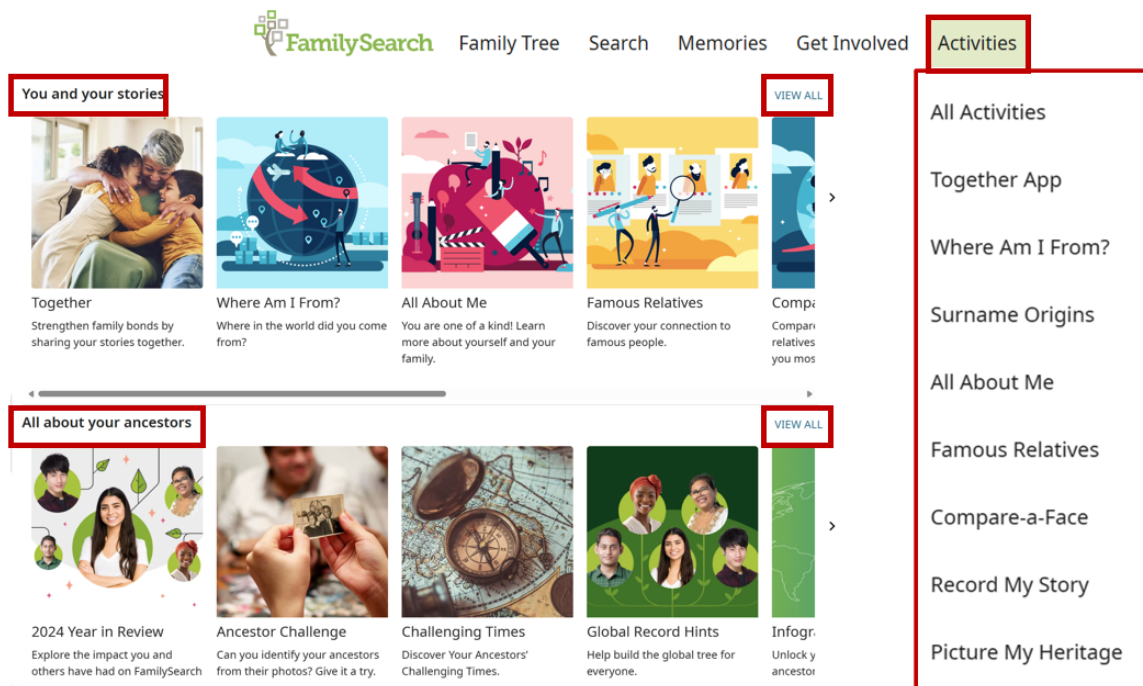
- Family History Activities
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- Discovery Experiences

### Family History Activities

FamilySearch activities are simple and fun. Activities are a great way to help youth and children understand more about their heritage and family. Most require no research time or skills.

Some activities draw from the ancestor information for you in Family Tree, when you're signed in to FamilySearch. The results of these activities can change each time that you try them, as users add new information to Family Tree.

These are some of the activities in the Family History Activities page:




At the top of the FamilySearch home page, click **Activities** and then click the activity that you want to do, such as:

### You and your Stories


- **Together** (App developed to help bring living family closer together.)
- **Where Am I From?** (Check your Generations, Family Lines, Heritage and Timeline)
- **All About Me** (Check what was happening on the year you were born)
- **Famous Relatives** (Check if you're related to any Famous People)
- **Compare-a-Face** (Compare your face to your relatives' faces and see whom you most resemble.)
- **Record My Story** (Add Goals and Accomplishments, Heart and Soul, Fun and Entertaining, Ponder and Reflect, Spiritual, General Questions, Family Stories, Record with Friends and Create your own Stories.)
- **Picture My Heritage** (See where your last name is found in the FamilySearch shared tree and picture yourself in typical country costumes.)
- **In-Home Activities** (Activities to help you discover who you are, discover, gather, and connect your family, both the living and those who have passed on. They can be done alone or with friends and family.)




← You and your stories




**Together**  
Strengthen family bonds by sharing your stories together.




**Where Am I From?**  
Where in the world did you come from?




**All About Me**  
You are one of a kind! Learn more about yourself and your family.



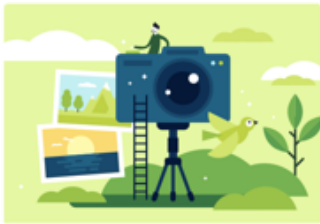
**Famous Relatives**  
Discover your connection to famous people.




**Compare-a-Face**  
Compare your face to your relatives' faces, and see whom you most resemble.



**Record My Story**  
Tell your stories and the stories of your family.



**Picture My Heritage**  
Connect to your heritage. Add your face to historical photos.



**In-Home Activities**  
Family activities that help you discover, gather, and connect with your family—past and present.

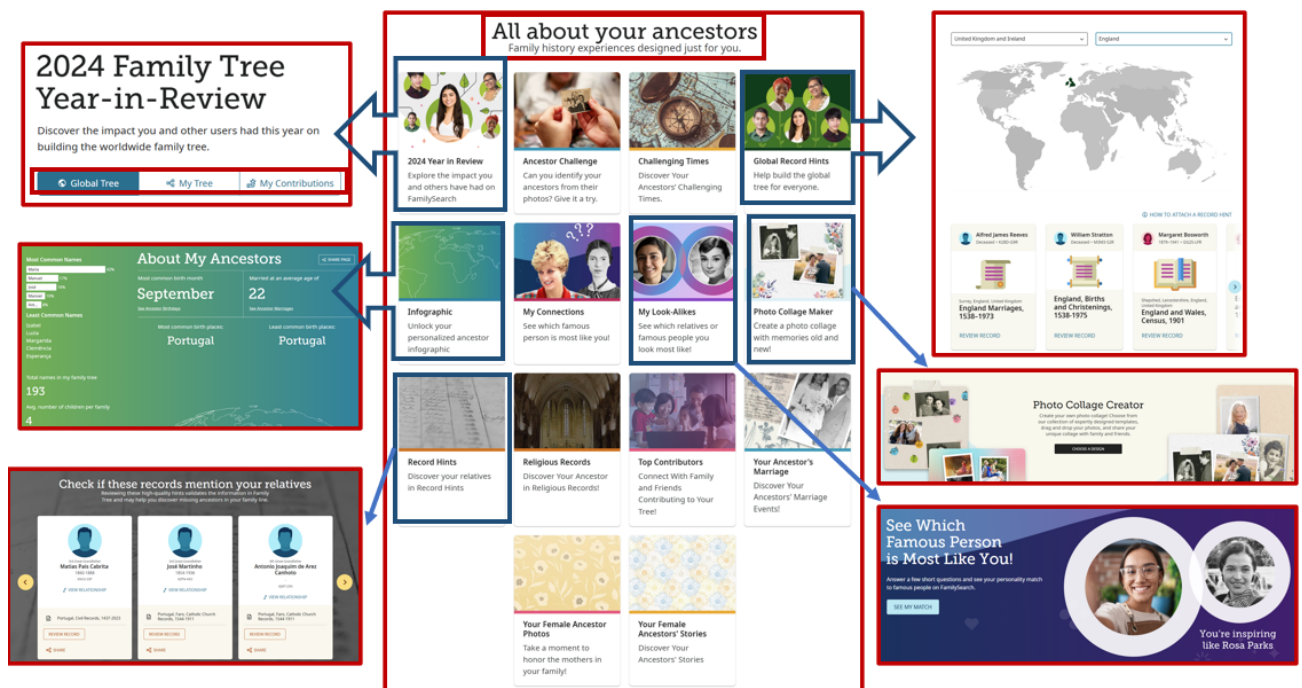
### All about your ancestors

- **2024 Year in Review** (Discover the impact you and other users had this year on building the worldwide family tree.)
- **Ancestor Challenge** (Keep the memory of your ancestors alive. See how much you know them.)
- **Challenging Times** (Know of the World Key events that occur in your ancestor's live time.)
- **Global Record Hints** (help build the tree by reviewing the high-quality hints)
- **Infographic** (See common details and averages in your Tree.)
- **My Connections** (See Which Famous Person is Most Like You!)
- **My Look-Alikes** (Find Out Who You Look Like!)



- **Photo Collage Maker** (Create your own photo collage from our collection of designed templates)
- **Record Hints** (Check if these records mention your relatives)
- **Religious Records** (Discover Your Ancestors in Religious Records)
- **Top Contributors** (Meet the top contributors in your part of the Tree.)
- **Your ancestor's Marriage** (A Match Made in...)
- **Your Female Ancestor Photos** (Honor the mothers in your family!)
- **Your Female Ancestor's Stories** (Tell the Story of Your Female Ancestors)

Or click **View All**



## Mobile app

1. In the Family Tree mobile app, you can find the Family History Activities by:

- **Android:** In the top-left corner, tap the **3 lines**.
- **Apple iOS:** In the bottom-right corner, tap **More**.

## Family Tree Lite

Family Tree Lite does not provide access to these activities.



You can report a problem with the [familysearch.org/discovery](https://familysearch.org/discovery) page, by clicking **Feedback**.

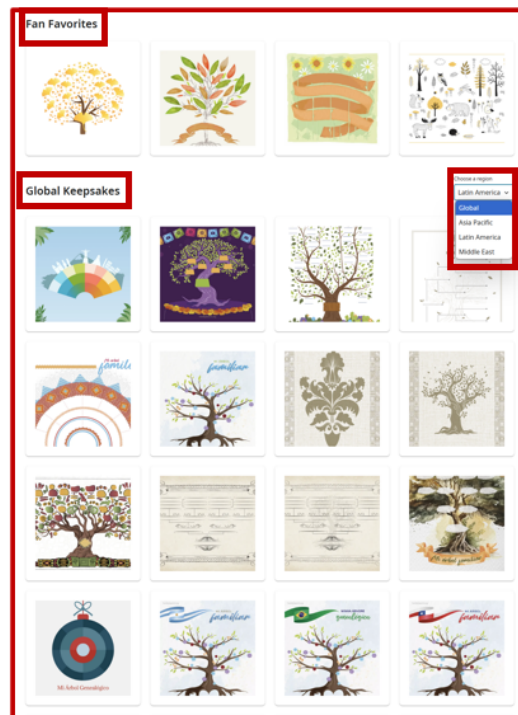
## Find Your Last Name's Meaning And Origin

The collage displays several key sections of the FamilySearch website interface for the surname Walker:

- Find your last name's meaning and origin:** A green header section with a search bar and a brief explanation of the surname's origin.
- Walker Family History:** A section titled 'Walker Name Meaning' explaining the surname's origin as an English or Scottish occupational name for a tanner, and a 'Similar surnames' list including Walker, Suttie, Walker, Watcher, Black, White, and others.
- What Walker family records will you find?:** A section showing examples of historical records such as Census Records, Passenger Lists, and Draft Cards.
- Search for another last name:** A section with a search bar and a 'See more ancestors' button.
- Discover the life stories of ancestors in the Walker family tree:** A section showing a family tree view with names like John Robert Walker and Francis Walker.
- Walker is most likely found in:** A section showing maps of the United States, England, and Scotland, with the number of people in the family tree for each region.
- We found 16,069,722 records for the Walker last name:** A section showing a search bar and a 'See more ancestors' button.

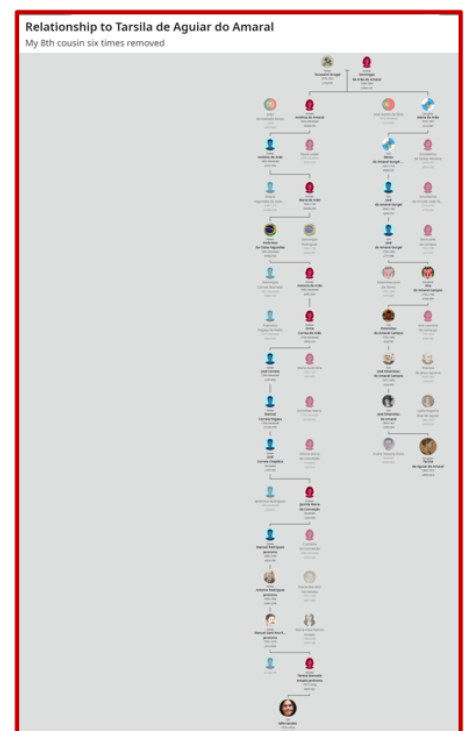
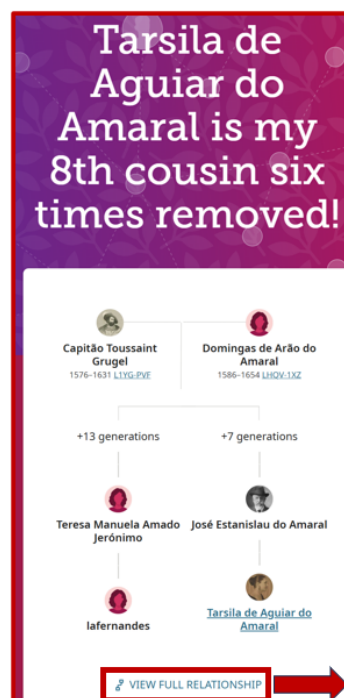
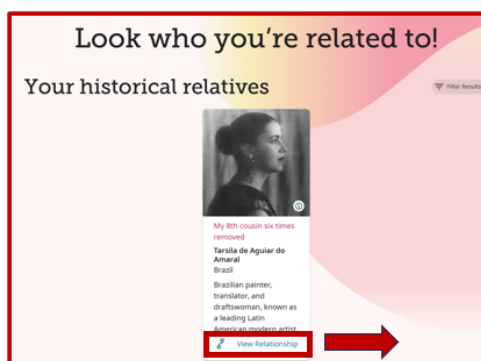
## Create a free family keepsake

Use our templates to easily create a beautiful visual family tree you can print or share.



## Your historical relatives

If the Famous Relatives doesn't show a relationship with an historical figure, try checking in <https://www.familysearch.org/en/connect/famous>





## New Family History Discovery Experiences

### Where does the information on discovery pages come from?

Information on discovery pages comes from the FamilySearch Family Tree, which is a massive database of genealogical information that FamilySearch users add to the database. This collection of names, places, dates, and memories combine to make the discovery pages.

The discovery pages are accessible through search engines, which allows people unfamiliar with FamilySearch to potentially find their ancestors. This invites more people to come and add the stories of their ancestors to the Family Tree.

### Can I find my living family in Family Tree discovery pages?

In order to protect privacy, living people in Family Tree do not have discovery pages. In Family Tree, information about living people is visible only to the user who added it. That user must sign in to Family Tree to see the information.

## FamilySearch Campaigns and Notifications

FamilySearch occasionally sends you an email to let you know about a particular discovery activity available to you on the website, if you have the option turned on for receiving FamilySearch emails in your **Notifications Settings**.

Campaigns are posted to your account as “**Notifications**” so that you can refer to them later.

If you want to find information regarding a past email, check your **Notifications**.

Steps (website)

1. While you are signed in to FamilySearch, click the **Notifications** icon (looks like a bell), right next to your name in the upper right corner.
2. The **Notifications** page appears. Notifications are divided into several categories. Most notifications about activities are available under **Discoveries**.





3. Click **Discoveries**.
  4. The column on the left shows the titles of recent discovery notifications. Click the notification that you want to read.
  5. The notification's content or message appears on the right.
  6. To read a different notification, click a different title from the column on the left.
- Note: If you do not see the notification that you are looking for, search for it in **Activities** at <https://www.familysearch.org/discovery/>.

The screenshot shows the FamilySearch website interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links like Family Tree, Search, Memories, Get Involved, and Activities. A user profile icon for 'lafernandes' is visible. Below the navigation bar, the 'Discoveries' section is active, showing a list of notifications on the left and the details of the selected notification on the right. The notifications list includes items like 'Parentes na RootsTech', 'Novos designs de árvore genealógica', 'Parentes famosos', and 'Parentes na RootsTech'. The details of the selected notification 'Parentes na RootsTech' are shown on the right, including a description and a 'Visualizar parentes' button. A red box highlights the 'Discoveries (3)' tab and the notification list. Another red box highlights the notification details on the right, with a red arrow pointing from the notification title in the list to the details. A third red box highlights the 'SHOW ALL NOTIFICATIONS' link at the bottom of the notification details.

### Create Discovery Experiences with the Planner

The **Planner** displays the information in Family Tree for the person you are helping. You can use this information to create a personalized experience and customize your lesson.

The **Planner** is available in Spanish, Portuguese, French, German, Italian, Russian, Traditional Chinese, Korean, and Japanese.

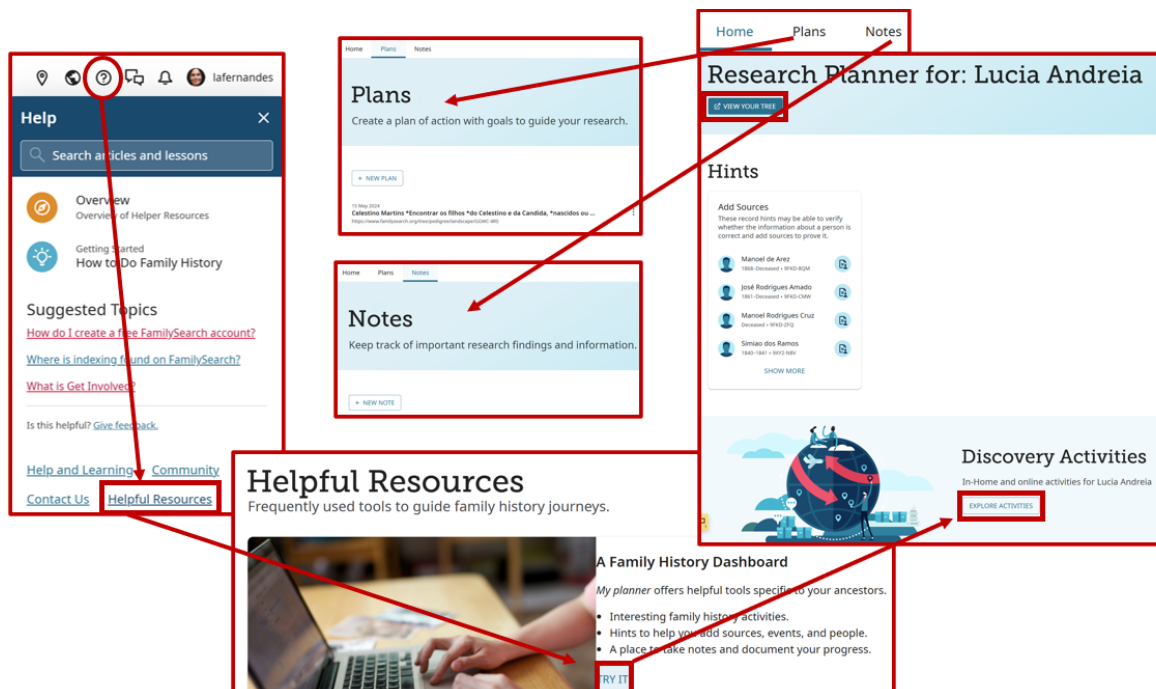




### Steps (website)

1. Sign in to [FamilySearch.org](https://www.familysearch.org)
2. In the upper-right, click the question mark icon.
3. Click **Helper Resources**.
4. On the right, find the **Planner**.
5. Click a name on the list.
6. On the left side, click **View Tree**.

In the **Planner**, you can switch between the fan chart, landscape view, portrait view, and descendency views.



### What is the purpose of discovery pages in Family Tree?

The purpose of discovery pages is to provide a simpler view for the person page in Family Tree. Information is easier to see and easier to find using search engines.

The discovery page also presents the information in an interesting and engaging way to make it more relevant for new users of FamilySearch.



The discovery page is similar to the **About** tab on a person page. A person without a FamilySearch account can see the discovery page. But the discovery page takes longer to update than the **About** tab. To see the **About** tab, a person must have a FamilySearch account. When information about the person changes, the **About** tab updates immediately.

Go to one of your **Ancestor's Details** page and then click the **About** Page

You can now find some discovery experiences in your ancestor's **About** page.

Depending on the information you've added to the Family Tree, you can view **Photos and Memories**, check **Parents and Siblings**, **Spouses and Children**. You can explore their heritage by viewing the **Brief Life History**, and even see the **Name Meaning**, all in one place.



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### Brief Life History of Manuel Sant'Ana Reis

When Manuel Sant'Ana Reis Jeronimo was born on 25 July 1937, in Paderne, Albufeira, Faro, Portugal, his father, Antonio Rodrigues Jeronimo, was 34 and his mother, Maria Dos Reis Fernandes, was 30. He married Maria Alice Ramos Amado on 26 November 1955, in Paderne, Albufeira, Faro, Portugal. They were the parents of at least 1 daughter. He died on 4 July 1975, in Pinhal Novo, Palmela, Setúbal, Portugal, at the age of 37, and was buried in Pinhal Novo, Palmela, Setúbal, Portugal.

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This life history was computer-generated. It is based on the information on the Details tab. To change it, edit the data on the [Details](#) tab. [Learn more](#)

### Parents and Siblings

**Antonio Rodrigues Jeronimo**  
1903–1984

**Maria Dos Reis Fernandes**  
1907–1969

### Siblings (3)

**Manuel Sant'Ana Reis Jeronimo**  
1937–1975

**Bernardino Joaquim Dos Reis Jerónimo**  
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**Maria Jerónimo**  
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### Photos and Memories (2)

Do you know Manuel Sant'Ana Reis? Do you have a story about him that you would like to share? [Write a story](#)

### Sources (1)

Legacy NFS Source: Manuel Sant'Ana Reis Jeronimo - Government record...

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### Spouse and Children

**Manuel Sant'Ana Reis Jeronimo**  
1937–1975

**Maria Alice Ramos Amado**  
1939–2000

### Marriage

26 Novembro 1955  
Paderne, Faro, Portugal

### Children (1)

**Teresa Manuela Amado Jerónimo**  
1957–

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### Time Line

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1937

**Birth • Age 0**  
 25 July 1937  
 Paderne, Albufeira, Faro, Portugal

**Christening • Age 0**  
 26 November 1937  
 Paderne, Albufeira, Faro, Portugal

1939

**Historical Event • Age 1**  
 Portugal - Portugal maintained official neutrality during World War II but allowed the United Kingdom to use air bases in the Azores.

1950

**Historical Event • Age 12**  
 Disposable diapers were invented by Marion Donovan.

1955

**Marriage • Age 18**  
**Maria Alice Ramos Amado**  
 26 November 1955  
 Paderne, Albufeira, Faro.

[VIEW WITH MAP](#)

### Name Meaning

Jeronimo

Manuel

Sant'Ana

Reis

Some characteristic forenames: Spanish Carlos, Francisco, Jose, Miguel, Alejandro, Avelino, Delfina, Elvira, Evaristo, Guadalupe, Gustavo, Jacinto.

Portuguese: from the personal name *Jeronimo*, from Greek *Hierōnymos* (see Hieronymus).

Americanized form of Spanish **Gerónimo** or Italian Geronimo, equivalents of 1.