

# Genealogical Proof & Source Citations

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How do I prove my genealogy?  
How do I write a source citation that makes  
sense?

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# This is a refresher

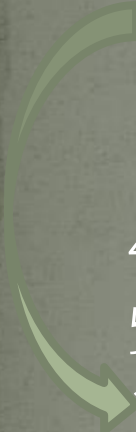
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# About this presentation

- Board for Certification of Genealogists provides standards for documentation, research, and writing for professional genealogists
- The standards provide a framework to guide our research and how we present it
- Purpose of this presentation: Review the standards to help you:
  - Create a **fact-based** genealogy with
  - Adequate, valid **documentation**, and then be able to
  - **Retrieve** the documentation for another look, and/or direct other researchers to that documentation



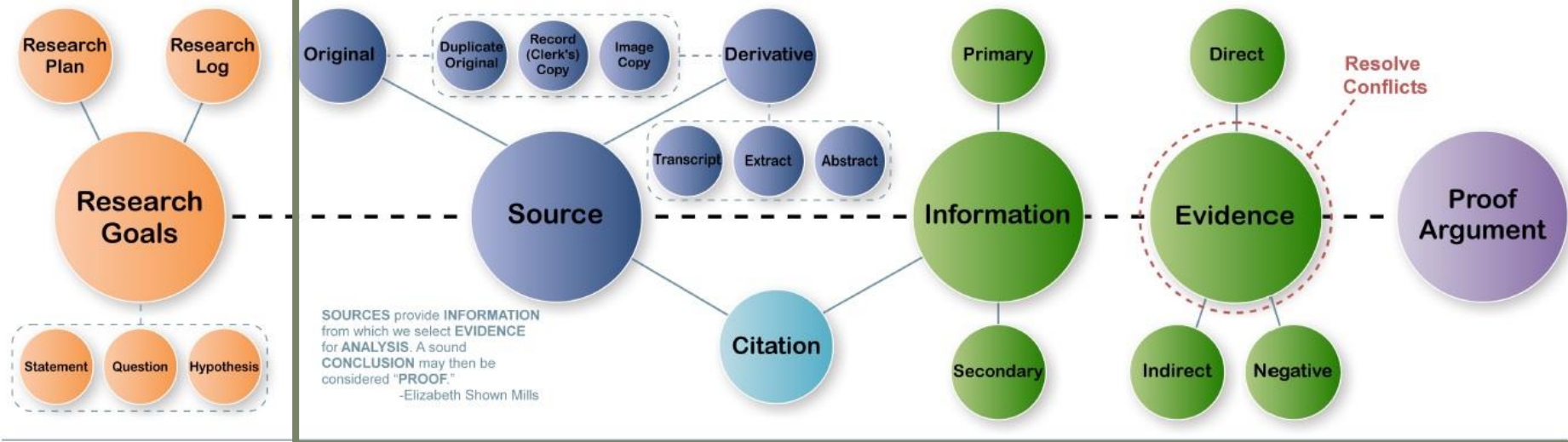
# Genealogical Proof Standard (GPS)<sup>1</sup>

1. **Research** that is reasonably exhaustive (thorough)
  2. **Cite** sources, completely and accurately  
(provide a roadmap to those sources)
  3. **Analyze and correlate** what you found  
(Is it sufficient to prove a point. Is it consistent or are there conflicts?)
  4. **Resolve** conflicting evidence (explain)
  5. **Summarize** conclusions as needed
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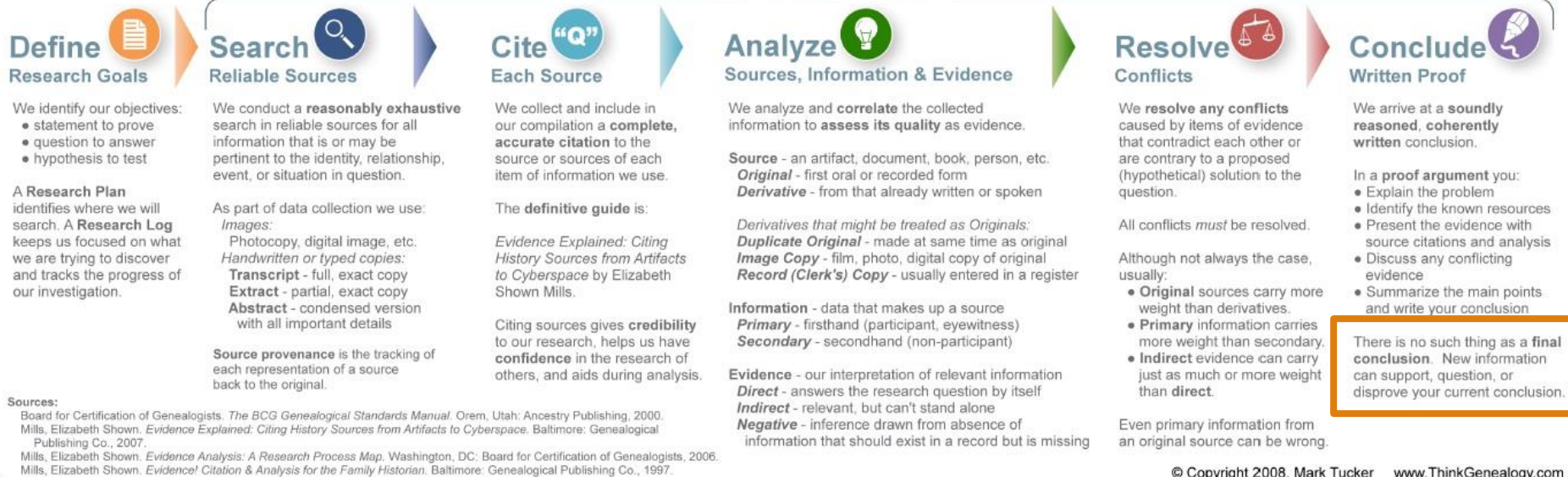
<sup>1</sup> Board for Certification of Genealogists, “Ethics and Standards”,  
<https://bcgcertification.org/ethics-standards/> (accessed 21 Oct 2022)

# Genealogy Research Process

Visualization of Concepts from The Board for Certification of Genealogists & Elizabeth Shown Mills



## The Genealogical Proof Standard (GPS)



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# Evidence defined- noun

- the available body of facts or information indicating whether a belief or proposition is true or valid.

Source: Oxford's English Dictionary, evidence, <https://tinyurl.com/yck7haee> , accessed 22 Oct 2022

- “A research question's tentative answer, which may be right or wrong, complete or incomplete...”

Source: Thomas W. Jones, *Mastering Genealogical Proof* , Arlington: National Genealogical Society, 2013), 134

- “information or assertions that are relevant to the problem”

Source: Elizabeth Shown Mills. *Evidence Explained, Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace*, Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Company, 2015, 822

# 1. GPS - Research thoroughly

- Goal - document key life events & relationships
- “*Reasonably exhaustive*”
  - What a reasonable researcher would search for
  - Not - all available documentation

Include:

- A variety of online resources beyond Ancestry.com
- Items that are available through subscription – free trial
- Visit or contact local or state repositories

Tip - *Develop a timeline of key life events & relationships*

## 2. GPS - Complete and accurate citations

- Goal: provide a roadmap for the reader
- **Who?** – author, creator
- **What?** – title of the book, type of certificate, index title,  
**When?** – the event, date of creation or publication, note if not published
- **Where in?** – volume, page, entry number, image 10 of 50 on a microfilm, etc.
- **Where?** – Co. courthouse, Ancestry.com, your file, etc.

Tip: For sites like Ancestry.com, consider adding the original repository information

eg.:Who, what, when, pg, Ancestry.com; The National Archives, UK.....



## 4. GPS - Resolve Conflicting Evidence

Goal: provide a reasonable explanation for the variations

- Consider & compare the quality of the evidence - is one piece of evidence more likely to be correct?
- Example – name variations:  
Vernice Minnis (1903) vs. Mildred Bernice Minnis on  
delayed birth certificate in 1959
- Consider whether a more limited answer is best based on the evidence that aligns and is strongest? Eg:  
Birthplace - Mercer Co, PA vs. Greenville, Mercer, PA  
Birthdate - born abt. 1784-1786 vs. born 1784  
Name - Samuel Minnis vs. Samuel B. Minnis

## 5. GPS - Summarize Conclusions

Goal: Describe your process for analyzing the evidence so you can revisit it and/or inform others

- Important with conflicting evidence or situations where clear evidence is missing
  - summarize in a simple sentence & citations to publishing full proof summary or argument with citations
- Note: Conclusions may include avenues for further investigation and may change as new evidence is uncovered
- Save the summary:
  - in your genealogy software
  - attach to the person on Ancestry or MyHeritage
  - include in the family genealogy you write

### 3. GPS - Analyze the evidence

To summarize:

“**Sources** give us **information**, from which we identify **evidence**.”

All undergo the evaluation process to produce **proof**.”

Elizabeth Shown Mills, “QuickLesson 17: the Evidence Analysis Process Model.”



### 3. GPS - Analyze

Goal: Determine...

- Can you count on the accuracy of the source?
- Do you have corroborating evidence?  
(ideally at least two independent sources that agree)

Consider these questions:

- What is the “container” of the information - **Source**
- Who provided the **Information** and how close to the time of the event was the info provided?
- If using more than one source, how are they related?
- What **Evidence** does the information provide?

## ----- the Source

Consider: how likely is it that the record process has introduced errors into the source containing the information you are seeking?

Is it:

- Primary –
  - original- first “edition” of the item, or unaltered image
  - derivative- e.g. transcription, index, or translation, of the original
- Secondary –
  - authored- someone else took the info and put it into another format such as book, webpage, etc.

What are some examples of authored sources that might be used for genealogy?

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## ----- the Information

Consider who provided the information. Could the informant process have introduced errors?

- Primary (first-hand) – is someone who was there at the time of the event?
- Secondary – is it someone who heard it from someone else? *“Hearsay”*
- Undetermined – is the source of the information unknown?

Was the document created close to time of event?

## -----the Evidence

- Direct – source explicitly states the information sought
- Indirect – supports the info sought, but doesn't clearly show it
- Negative – (see next slide)
- Conflicting – various sources do not agree

Tips: 1.find sources that are independent of each other rather than one being authored or derived from another

2.Be aware there could be more than one person with same name

## Evidence, cont'd

- Negative Findings – relevant record doesn't exist
  - Example - unable to find the death record in one county, but continued searching in surrounding counties may eventually be successful
- Negative evidence – desired information is not in the relevant record
  - Example – parish registers with “legitimate” next to each entry. Elizabeth Shown Mills’ ancestor’s entry lacked that word.

Tips: 1. make a note negative findings, eg in research log  
2. Create a citation for negative evidence – shows reasonably exhaustive research



Even 1<sup>st</sup> hand information can be inaccurate –  
get an independent 2<sup>nd</sup> source to corroborate  
the evidence

Event	Sources	Independent??
Birth injury	Aunt who helped at birth, MD's medical file	
Occupation	City directory, Census, marriage record	
Residence in KS	Obituary, town history	
Birth date	Birth certificate, death certificate, obituary	
Immigration date	Ship passenger list, census	

# Reaching Proof

Goal: compile enough supporting evidence to create a clear and convincing case

- Absolute proof may not be attainable

What do you think is strongest in each category to reach the best evidence to prove your question or hypothesis?

- Source: Original vs derivative vs authored
- Informant: 1<sup>st</sup> hand vs hearsay
- Evidence



The source, information contained and what evidence it directly /explicitly provides

Original source (image)

Direct evidence from primary (1<sup>st</sup> hand) informant

Direct evidence

Direct evidence from secondary (hearsay) informant

1<sup>st</sup> hand (primary) informant

Informant w/ some 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> hand knowledge

Date filed

Form V. S. No. 5-50M-9-19-18.

1. PLACE OF DEATH.  
County of Allegheny  
Township of East Pittsburgh  
City of East Pittsburgh

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH  
Registration District No. 127  
Primary Registration District No. (No. 832 Linden W. St. 39 Ward.)

File No. 325  
Registered No. 325

FULL NAME Enoch Hutchinson.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS  
2. SEX Male  
3. COLOR OR RACE White  
4. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Widower  
5. DATE OF BIRTH Oct. 25 1848  
6. AGE 73 yrs. 6 mos. 6 ds.  
7. OCCUPATION  
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Shift Sinker.  
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) Retired.  
8. BIRTHPLACE (State or Country) England.  
9. NAME OF FATHER Robert Hutchinson.  
10. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or Country) England.  
11. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Robert Brown.  
12. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or Country) England.  
13. (Informant) Ben E. Hutchinson.  
(Address) #832 Linden W. St. East Pittsburgh Pa.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH  
14. DATE OF DEATH May 2 1922  
15. I HEREBY CERTIFY. That I attended deceased Feb. 12 1922 to May 2 1922  
that I last saw him alive on May 12  
and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 11:50  
The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:  
apoplexy  
(Duration) 2 1/2 yrs. 2 1/2 mos. 2 1/2 ds.  
Contributory (Secondary) (Duration) yrs. mos. ds.  
(Signed) R.H. G. Gordin  
Mays 5 1922 (Address) East Pittsburgh  
\*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH; or in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state MEANS OF INJURY; and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL.  
16. LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients or Recent Residents).  
At place of death yrs. mos. ds. In the State yrs. mos. ds.  
Where was disease contracted, If not at place of death?  
Former or usual residence  
17. PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Cross Creek Cem.  
DATE OF BURIAL May 5 1922  
18. UNDERTAKER Collins & Wolfe.  
Address East Pittsburgh

Filed May 6 1922 Local Registrar

Source: Pennsylvania Department of Health, Allegheny Co. Death certificate, 1922, Hutchinson, Enoch, File #5003

# Marriage Record

Original  
Parish  
Register

## Detail Source

Name: Ralph Huchinson

Gender: Male

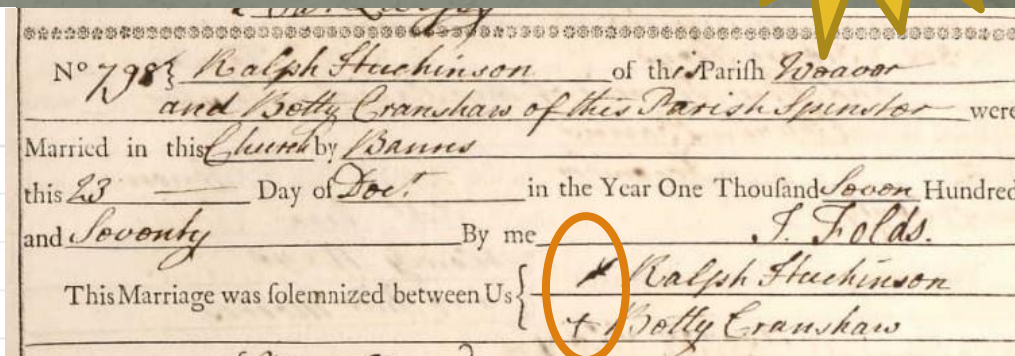
Marriage Date: 23 Dec 1770

Marriage Place: Bolton-Le-Moors, Lancashire, England

Spouse: Betty Cranshaw

FHL Film Number: 1966474

Reference ID: V 4 p 167 no 798



Indexes of two original  
documents

Lancashire, England, Church of England Marriages and Banns,  
1754-1936



[View image](#)

[View record](#)

Name **Haver Hitchinson**

Gender Male

Event Type Marriage

Event Date 23 Dec 1770

Parish Bolton-le-Moors, Lancashire, England

Spouse Betty Crankshaw

Register Type Bishop's Transcript

Original Image of Transcript of  
Parish Register

Church of England Parish Registers Bolton St Peter, Bolton le Moors, Lancashire, England, Marriages & Banns. Dec 1770, entry 798, "Hutchinson-Cranshaw" FHL Film# 1966742; and Church of England Marriages and Banns, 1754-1936, Bishops Transcript, Bolton-le-Moors, Lancashire, England, Dec. 1770, Ralph Hutchinson-Betty Crankshaw



# Resolving conflicting evidence - Was Job Hutchinson's wife Elizabeth Aspinall or Elizabeth Prescott?

- Census shows six claimed children of Job (don't know how they relate to the wife on a census)
- So used General Register Office index to check for mother's maiden surname for each child.
- Birth order, Name, Mother's Maiden, Informant
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Rachel, Aspinall, b.1875, father's name not given, *Elizabeth* was informant
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Enoch, 1878, Prescott, *Job*
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Dinah, Prescott, *Elizabeth*
  - 4<sup>th</sup> John, Aspinall, *Elizabeth*
  - 5<sup>th</sup> William, Aspinall, *Elizabeth*
  - 6<sup>th</sup> Job, Prescott, *Job*
- Found marriage cert for Joseph Hutchinson to Eliz. Prescott, 1877, they made their marks
- Couldn't find birth of Elizabeth Prescott
- Found birth record for Elizabeth Aspinall
- Found Elizabeth Aspinall in UK census with parents

**Current Conclusion:** Based on Rachel's & Elizabeth's birth records and the children's birth records, Elizabeth's maiden name was most likely Aspinall. **One source did not provide sufficient evidence.**

**Evidence:** Found birth record for Eliz Aspinall of right age and birth place; she had an illegitimate 1<sup>st</sup> child under name Aspinall; Possible 1<sup>st</sup> marriage to Prescott indicated by marriage record for Joseph Hutchinson m. Eliz Prescott 1877. Maiden name provided by Job was always Prescott. Maiden name provided by Eliz to registrars was Aspinall 2 of 3 times. Both Job & Elizabeth were illiterate, which may have lead to the incorrect name of Joseph on the marriage register and Prescott on the birth registration.

**Further research:** could include using DNA to tie descendants of Job and Elizabeth to other Aspinall descendants. Search non-conformist parish records for Aspinall-Prescott marriage, etc.



# Q1 – Analyzed Findagrave.com record

Find a Grave®

MEMORIALS

CEMETERIES

FAMOUS

CONTRIBUTE

1. Is this an original, derivative or authored item?
2. Who was the informant? Did they provide 1<sup>st</sup> or hearsay info?
3. What direct evidence does it provide
4. What independent corroborating evidence is needed?



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## Elizabeth *Newhold* Minnis

← Calculated

**BIRTH** 28 Jan 1820  
Greenwood Township, Crawford County, Pennsylvania, USA

**DEATH** 8 Sep 1910 (aged 90)  
Mercer County, Pennsylvania, USA

**BURIAL** [Stevenson Cemetery](#)  
Greenville, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, USA

**MEMORIAL ID** 100009877 · [View Source](#)

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MEMORIAL

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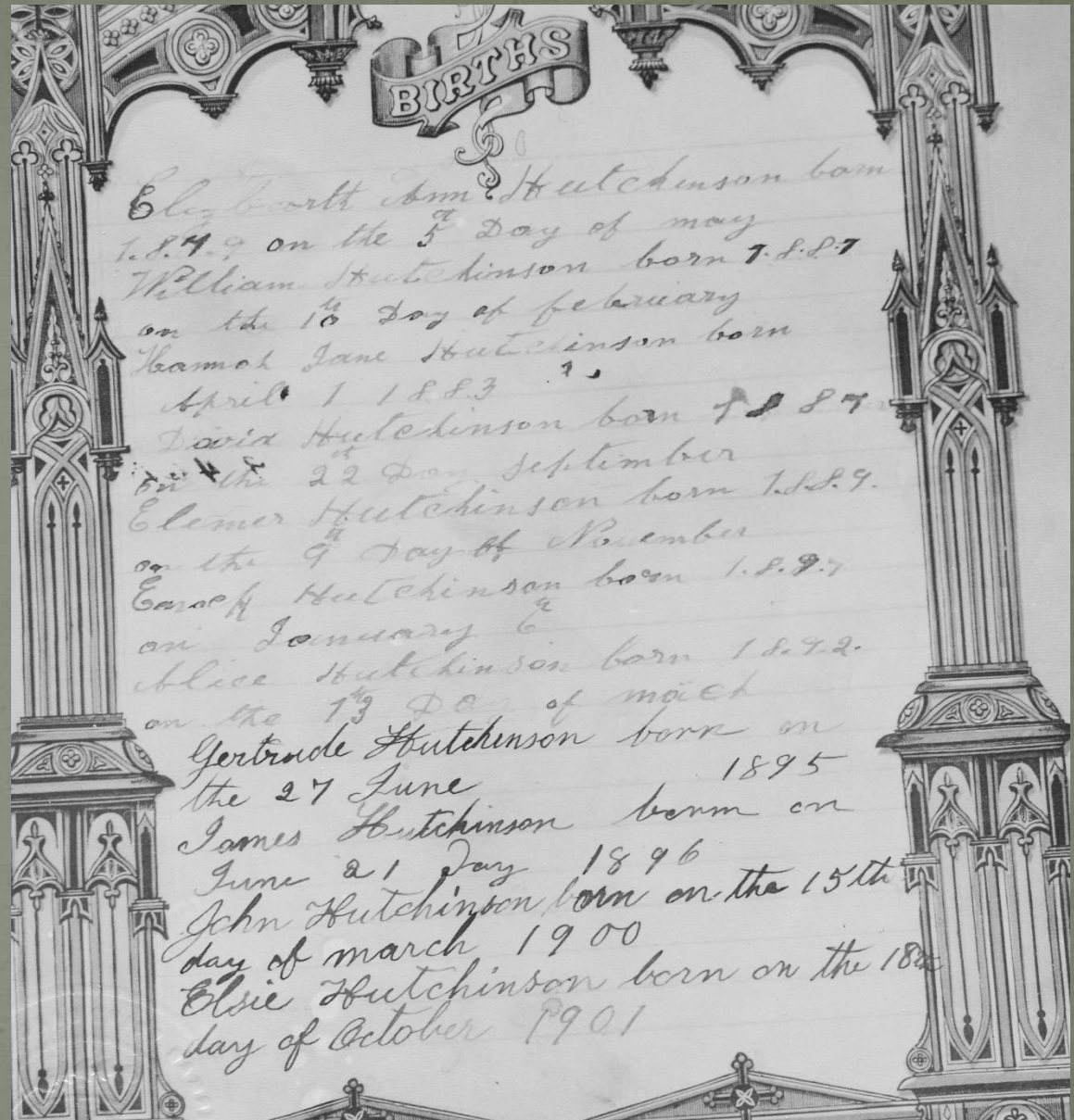
### Gravesite Details

Wife of Asher Minnis

[Family Members](#)

## Q2: Analyze a source, ie a Bible page

1. Is this an original, derivative or authored document?
2. Is the information 1st hand, 2nd hand, from unknown source?
3. Were the entries contemporary to the event?
4. What direct evidence does the document provide?
5. Is this page sufficient evidence for the birthdate of Elizabeth Ann Hutchinson born 5 May 1879? Why?



Source: Page from the Bible of the William Hutchinson, b. 1854, Bible. Image provided by Jeri Jenkins Jones, 22 Feb 2009, previously of Shermans Dale, PA.



# Q3 – Analyze 1841 UK Census

Workington, County Cumberland, England

Evaluate the data bracketed in orange

1. Is this an original, derivative or authored document?
2. Who is the informant? Are they providing 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> hand info?
3. What direct evidence does this give you about David and Ann Hutchinson?
4. What indirect evidence does this provide about David and Ann Hutchinson?

PLACE	HOUSES Uninhabited or Building Inhabited	NAMES of each Person who abode therein the preceding Night.	SEX		PROFESSION, TRADE, EMPLOYMENT, or of INDEPENDENT MEANS.	Where Born	
			Male	Female		Whether Born in same County	Whether Born in same Parish, or Foreign Place.
Bant House		Thos Butters	30		Laborer	Yes	
		Eleanor do	5			Yes	
21.	1.	Charlotte Wright	54		widow	Yes	Ireland
		John Wright	22		Coal Miner	Yes	
22.	1.	Archibald Darling	45		Coal Miner	Yes	
		Sarah Darling	37			Yes	
		Mary do	12			Yes	
		John do	3			Yes	
		James do	1			Yes	
		Thomas Thompson	18		Coal Miner	Yes	
23.	1.	Sarah Walton	40		widow	Yes	
		Robert Walton	24		Coal Miner	Yes	
		George do	19		Coal Miner	Yes	
24.	1.	Esther Huggins	37		Laborer	Yes	
		Betty do	15			Yes	
		Sarah do	13			Yes	
		John do	11		Coal Miner	Yes	
		William do	9		Coal Miner	Yes	
		David Hutchinson	33		Coal Miner	Yes	
		Ann do	5			Yes	
25.	1.	William Irving	23		Coal Miner	Yes	
		Mary Irving	21			Yes	
		Isabella Irving	1			Yes	



# Q4 – Analyzed England Birth Certificate

1. Is this an original, derivative or authored document?
2. Who is the informant? Are they providing 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> hand info?
3. What direct evidence does this give you about Rebecca?
4. What negative evidence does it provide about Rebecca?

**CERTIFIED COPY OF AN ENTRY OF BIRTH**

GIVEN AT THE GENERAL REGISTER OFFICE

Application Number **COL978053**

REGISTRATION DISTRICT **Wigan**

**1855** BIRTH in the Sub-district of **Wigan** in the **County of Lancaster**

Column	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
No.	When and where born	Name, if any	Sex	Name and surname of father	Name, surname and maiden surname of mother	Occupation of father	Signature, description and residence of informant	When registered	Signature of registrar	Name entered after registration
18	<i>1855 Wigan Lancs</i>	<i>Rebecca</i>	<i>girl</i>		<i>Margaret Pondlebury</i>		<i>Margaret Pondlebury Mother Goffman's house Wigan Lane Wigan</i>	<i>Birth October 1855</i>	<i>Robert Halliwell Registrar</i>	

CERTIFIED to be a true copy of an entry in the certified copy of a Register of Births in the District above mentioned.

Given at the GENERAL REGISTER OFFICE, under the Seal of the said Office, the **8th** day of **November** **2005**

**CB 348867**

CAUTION: THERE ARE OFFENCES RELATING TO FALSIFYING OR ALTERING A CERTIFICATE AND USING OR POSSESSING A FALSE CERTIFICATE ©CROWN COPYRIGHT  
WARNING: A CERTIFICATE IS NOT EVIDENCE OF IDENTITY.

# Q5 – Analyze an obituary

1. Is this an original, derivative or authored document?
2. Who is the informant? Are they providing 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> hand info?
3. What direct & indirect evidence does this give you about Margaret Roberts?
4. Does this document provide sufficient information to prove who Margaret's parents were? Why?

## Death Roll

**Mrs. Margaret Roberts**  
Mrs. Margaret Roberts, widow of Thomas Benton Roberts, died this morning, July 1, 1933, at the home of her grand-daughter, Mrs. Lois Williams of Sandy Creek. She would have been 65 if she had reached her next birthday, August 20th.

She was the daughter of John and Catherine Baker and was born in Hampfield township, but nearly all her life, since marriage, was spent in Salem township. She was a member of North Salem M. E. church.

Her husband died 28 years ago.

Surviving children sons and daughters are: Rebecca, wife of M. E. Minnis, Sheakleyville; Emma, wife of George Williams, Salem; John R. Greenville; C. D., Salem; Ora, wife of John Hurst, Denver, Colo.; Jennie, eldest daughter, and wife of A. T. Minnis died eight years ago. There are 16 grandchildren; 50 great grandchildren and 10 great great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 2 p. m. in North Salem M. E. church; burial will be made in Stevenson cemetery.

Obituary for Margaret Baker Roberts. The Record-Argus, Greenville, PA. 1 Jul 1933, page 5, column 1. the Death Roll. Greenville Public Library Digital Archives.



# Q 6 – Analyze a marriage bond

1. Is this an original, derivative or authored document?
  2. Who is the informant? Are they providing 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> hand info?
  3. What direct evidence does this about Asher Williams and Mary Beck?
1. Does this document provide sufficient information to prove the marriage of Asher & Mary?

Asher Williams & Mary Beck 11-12-1763  
Vol (Part 4: 1737-1767) - 283

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## KNOW all Men by these Presents,

That we Asher Williams, John Thorne, & John Hall  
all in the Township of Chesterfield County of  
Burlington Province of New Jersey and  
holden and do stand justly indebted unto his Excellency  
William Franklin Esq. Governor  
in chief in and over the aforesaid Province  
of New Jersey - in the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds,  
of current lawful Money of New-Jersey; to be paid to his  
said Excellency -  
his Successors or Assigns: For the which Payment well and  
truly to be made and done, we do bind our selves  
our Heirs, Executors and Administrators, and every of  
them jointly & severally - firmly by these Presents.  
Sealed with our Seals: Dated this 12th  
Day of Nov. Annoque Domini One Thousand  
Seven Hundred and Sixty Three 1763

## THE Condition of this Obligation is such,

That whereas the above-bounden Asher Williams, John Thorne &  
John Hall hath obtained Licence of Marriage for him the said  
Asher Williams of the one Party, and for Mary Beck  
Spinster of the other Party:  
Now, if it shall not hereafter appear, that they the said Asher Williams  
and Mary Beck have any lawful  
Let or Impediment, of Pre-contract, Affinity or Consanguinity, to hinder  
their being joined in the Holy Bands of Matrimony, and afterwards  
their living together as Man and Wife; then this Obligation to be  
void, or else to stand and remain in full Force and Virtue.

Sealed and Delivered in  
the Presence of

Asher Williams

McEdward

John Thorne

John Borden Jr

John Hall



# Q 7 – Analyze a Birth Certificate

1. Is this an original, derivative or authored document?
2. Who is the informant? Are they providing 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> hand info?
3. What direct evidence does this give you about Harold Hunter?
4. What are the weaknesses of this document?

## IOWA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH—DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS BIRTH CERTIFICATE 517731

(Explanation)

In past years many birth records were not filed at the time of birth as provided by statute, due to the neglect of those charged with the duty of filing said record. This affidavit is provided to take care of such cases and may be executed by the attending physician, midwife, parent, nearest relative or other person having full knowledge of the facts of this birth. NOT ACCEPTABLE IF SIGNED BY THE PARTY FOR WHOM IT IS MADE.

### AFFIDAVIT

I, Joe Hunter, being duly sworn, depose and say that I am 47 years of age; that I have known the person named herein for 16 years; that I reside at Moorehead

in the COUNTY OF Monona STATE OF Iowa; that the answers given to the following questions are true and correct as I verily believe.

FULL NAME OF CHILD Harold Joseph Hunter

PLACE OF BIRTH: STATE OF IOWA, COUNTY OF Woodbury CITY OF Salix

TOWNSHIP OF		STREET	
Sex of Child	Twin, triplet, or other	Number in order of birth	Legitimate
male	(To be answered only in event of plural births)	4th	yes

Name of physician, midwife, or other person attending at this birth. Dr. Conney

FATHER		MOTHER	
Full Name	<u>Joe Hunter</u>	Full Maiden Name	<u>Martie Lucy Edwards</u>
Birthplace State or Country	<u>Lee Co. Ia.</u>	Birthplace State or Country	<u>Pottawattamie Co. Ia.</u>
Color	<u>white</u>	Color	<u>white</u>
Age at time of this birth	<u>30</u> Years	Age at time of this birth	<u>26</u> Years
Occupation at time of this birth	<u>farm hand</u>	Occupation at time of this birth	<u>housewife</u>

That the basis of my knowledge for answers given above is as follows  
I was present at time of birth

(Sign Here) Joe Hunter father  
STATE OF Iowa Name Monona Relationship Monona COUNTY, SS.

On this 21st day of August, 1944, before me comes Joe Hunter and makes oath that the information given in this instrument subscribed by him is true and correct as he verily believes.

Frank Andrews  
Notary Public in and for Monona County, State of Iowa  
My commission expires July 4th 1945 Do not write below these lines

Signature Y. S. Chancellors Iowa County Registrar  
OR Walter D. Dinning M.D.  
Signature Y. S. Chancellors (State Registrar) Date AUG 22 1944 Date filed AUG 22 1944

AN AFFIDAVIT OF BIRTH LARGELY DEPENDS FOR ITS VALUE UPON THE UNQUESTIONED KNOWLEDGE OF THE FACTS GIVEN. IT IS THEREFORE OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE TO THE PERSON WHOSE BIRTH IS BEING RECORDED THAT THE PERSON SIGNING THE AFFIDAVIT SHOW CLEARLY AND FULLY THE BASIS FOR HIS KNOWLEDGE IN THE SPACE PROVIDED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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