



Easy Family History Ideas // *#familyhistorymadeeasy*

- Tell someone a story about one of your ancestors that you already know
- Print out your fan chart
- Find and read a family pioneer story
- Google a family member's name and see if any information comes up on them - record It
- Find an ancestor that has your same name
- Explore Family Search
- Find a picture of a great grandparent
- Index a few names
- Have a conversation with an extended family member about family history
- Find one of your family members on a census
- Find a country your family originated from
- Go visit a family history library
- Call the “genealogist” in your family and see if there is temple work that needs to be done.
- Take a family history class offered at a family history center.
- Watch a training video on family history at familysearch.org
- Look at Puzzilla.org and find an ancestor's descendant to work on
- Read an Ancestors Story
- Request a direct ancestors Patriarchal Blessing
- Go to an ancestor's grave that you haven't visited
- Go to a grandparents or great grandparents grave and clean the headstone
- Download the Take A Name app and connect it to your Family Search account
- Open family search and work on memorizing the names of your great-grandparents
(or great-great-grandparents)
- Visit cemeteries and do service with FindaGrave.com
- Do index challenges with extended family
- Upload memories to Family Search
- Interview a grandma or grandpa and ask them to tell you a story from when they were a child
- Display a photo of a great grandma or grandpa (or further back) in your home
- Interview your oldest living relative on the phone or in person to see if they have any genealogy books to pass on or any information to tell you about family members

- Write a list of questions you'd like to ask a parent or grandparent
- Start a family history photo album or add to one you have already started
- Take 10 pictures at a family get together
- Take 10 video clips at a family get together
- Display a photo of a great grandma or grandpa (or further back) in your home
- Work on a Scrapbook or Photo Book
- Print pictures of family activities or holiday and let each child scrapbook their own page
- Using your phone record yourself sharing a story about an ancestor or yourself
- Take a photo of each of your kids today
- Find a photo on family search and share it with a relative
- Backup your photos from your phone
- Pick your favorite photos from this year to print
- Download the Google PhotoScan app and scan a couple of old family photos
- Create an ancestor gallery wall
- Use the This Day or TimeHop App
- Write an entry in your journal
- Buy a notebook and let each family member write a journal entry per day
- Using a journal or notebook for each child/spouse write love letters to them each day
- Pick a prompt from 52 Stories to answer
- Record your testimony in your journal
- Look up a family recipe
- Tell a story from your life to your children
- Make a dish your parents/grandparents used to make and share it with family or friends
- Set a timer and write a list of as many childhood memories as you can in 5 minutes
- Continue holiday traditions
- Put a family tree, ancestor pictures, ancestor timeline under a clear table cloth on your dining room table
- Hang up quotes from ancestors
- Have a Family Home Evening lesson on family history
- Have a Family History "pop quiz" at dinner. (i.e. what is your grandma's maiden name? Name one country our ancestors came from? etc.)
- Ask your kids their favorite Christmas memory or any holiday
- Ask your kids what the best part of their school year was. Write it down.
- Celebrate ancestor's birthdays/marriages with special dinners.



- Make Chatbooks for your kids to look through
- Share family stories at bedtime
- Sing family songs
- Make a family story quilt with pictures/signatures/holiday prints etc. that inspire conversations.
- Let children stay up after bedtime occasionally to look at family pictures together
- Play family history games with your kids
- Use the FamilySearch App Map My Ancestor feature to see if there are important family places where you are traveling
- Listen to family story cds in the car
- Do family history activities from The Friend
- Play Geneopardy online
- Make family history BINGO cards
- Google Map addresses of ancestors
- Make a lifesize Guess Who with family history pictures
- Watch Relative Race
- Do a relay race based on activities your ancestors did
- Play Don't Eat the Ancestor
- Learn about cultural traditions of where your ancestors are from
- Play on the Family Search Discovery Page
- Download the Little Family Tree App
- Record a spiritual experience (written or spoken)
- Go to the temple or walk around the temple grounds
- Read in the Book of Mormon about the importance of keeping records
- Read a conference talk on keeping a journal
- Read a General Conference talk or Ensign article on family history
- Perform a baptism for one of your deceased ancestors
- Find one name to take to the temple to perform their temple work
- Talk about family history during a Come Follow Me Lesson
- Display temple pictures in your home
- Invite grandparents to special family history home evenings

