BBC Family Trails

Experts' tips on starting your research

How documentation builds a family tree

Reading history: censuses, medals, buildings and photographs



First Things



Before You Start Your Family Tree



Getting Started on Your Family Tree



Activity: Reading Family Trees

Military Records



Tracing Military Records



Activity: A Soldier's Tale

Next Moves



Basic Research Tools



How it Works: a Case History



Activity: Interpreting Certification

A Place in the Community



An Intriguing Family History



Activity: Plymouth House History