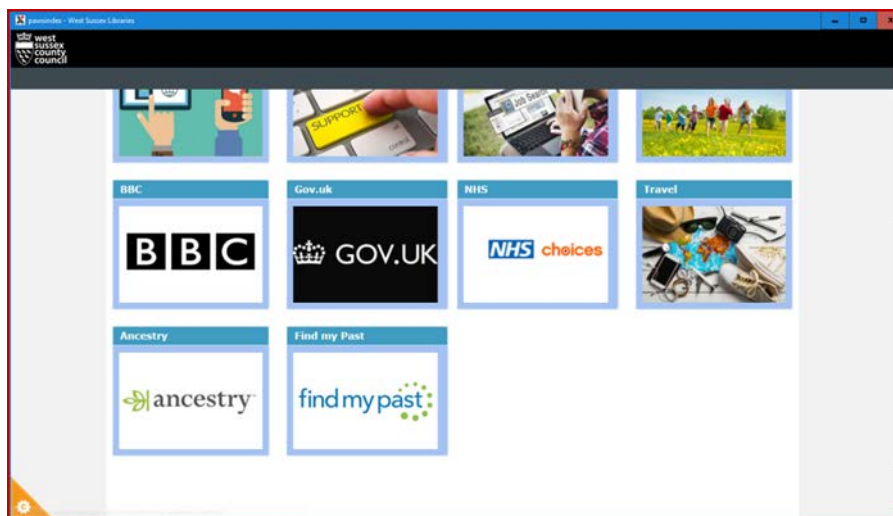


Help with Ancestry

This guide will introduce you to Ancestry and show you how to carry out a basic search. Ancestry is one of the most popular online resources aimed at family history researchers. It is available in your local library using the computers or on a mobile device when using library Wi-Fi in a West Sussex Library.

How to use Ancestry

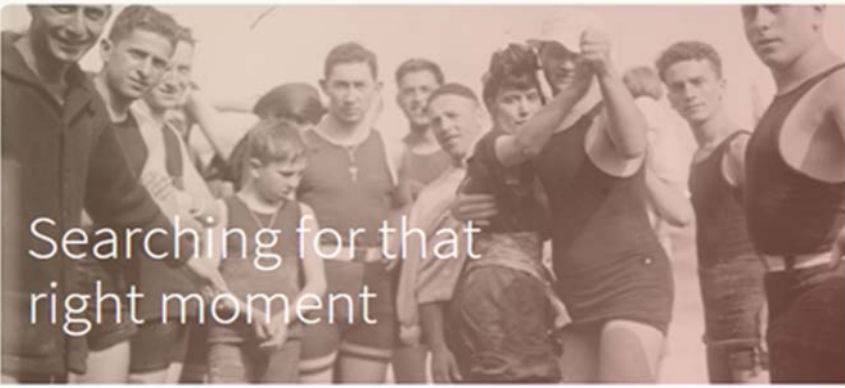
Log on to one of the library computers. When the tiles appear, scroll down and click on the **Ancestry** tile.



To start, click the **Search** tab on the **black toolbar** at the top of the Ancestry page.

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Searching for that right moment

Start searching billions of records and discover your family's story.

BEGIN SEARCHING

The best place to start is often the **Census & Electoral Rolls**. Make sure you select the **U.K. Census Collection** under **Narrow by Category**. You can either search all the UK censuses or select a specific year.

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Enter the details of the person you are looking for in the search boxes. The less information you enter, the more results you will get. When you have filled out the boxes click on **Search**.

The search form includes a 'Search' button and a checkbox for 'Match all terms exactly'. It has two main input fields: 'First & Middle Name(s)' and 'Last Name'. Below these are three rows of filters: 'Birth', 'Death', and 'Lived In'. Each row has dropdown menus for 'Day' and 'Month', and a text box for 'Year'. The 'Location' column has a text box with the example 'e.g. London, England'.

Shown below are the results of a typical search. The closest matches are listed first. Be aware that names are sometimes misspelled, particularly where there is more than one way to spell the name. To make sure that you have the right person, view the full entry by selecting the census heading for the person you wish to view.


The screenshot shows the search results for 'Lily Brookes' in the 1901 U.K. Census Collection. The title is 'All 1901 U.K. Census Collection results for Lily Brookes'. On the left, there are filters for 'Broad' and 'Exact' search, and a list of census regions: England Census (3722), Wales Census (37), Scotland Census (11), and Channel Islands Census (1). The main results area shows 'Results 1-20 of 3,772' and a list of three entries. Each entry includes a 'View Image' link and details such as name, birth date, and residence.

Results 1-20 of 3,772	RECORDS	CATEGORIES
1901 England Census 1901 U.K. CENSUS COLLECTION View Image	NAME: Lily Brookes BIRTH: abt 1890 - Gorton, Lancashire, England RESIDENCE: 1901 - Eccles, Lancashire, England	
1901 England Census 1901 U.K. CENSUS COLLECTION View Image	NAME: Lily Brookes BIRTH: abt 1889 - Manchester, Lancashire, England RESIDENCE: 1901 - Manchester, Manchester, Lancashire, England	
1901 England Census 1901 U.K. CENSUS COLLECTION	NAME: Lily E Brookes BIRTH: abt 1892 - Liverpool, Lancashire, England	

The full entry will list every member of the household on census day, along with their age.

Name	Age
Jno Wm Brookes	42
Maria Brookes	39
Maude Brookes	17
Lily Brookes	11
Joseph Brookes	9
Harry Brookes	8
Nelly Brookes	6
Minnie Brookes	5
Florrie Brookes	1

Click the green **View** button to see the original document.



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Name:	Lily Brookes
Age:	11
Estimated Birth Year:	abt 1890
Relation to Head:	Daughter
Gender:	Female
Father:	Jno Wm Brookes

Click the **tools icon** from the menu on the right-hand side to download and save the image, print it or email it to yourself.

1901 England Census for Lily Brookes

Lancashire > Eccles > District 22

Save

Family Name	Sex	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth	Marital Status
James Bailey	Male	42	Blacksmith	Worston	Married
Elizabeth Bailey	Female	39		Worston	Married
Edith Bailey	Female	10		Worston	Single
Harold Bailey	Male	11		Worston	Single
Charles Bailey	Male	9		Worston	Single
Charles Blackman	Male	24	Blacksmith	Worston	Single
John Brookes	Male	42	Blacksmith	Worston	Married
Maria	Female	39		Worston	Married
Frederick	Male	17		Worston	Single
Lily	Female	11	School	Worston	Single
Joseph	Male	9		Worston	Single
Harry	Male	8		Worston	Single
Willie	Female	6		Worston	Single
William	Male	5		Worston	Single
Thomas	Male	1		Worston	Single
James & Pearson	Male	27	Blacksmith	Worston	Married
Emily	Female	20		Worston	Married
Isaac A.	Male	28		Worston	Single
William	Male	24	Blacksmith	Worston	Married
William	Male	22		Worston	Single



For more help with using Ancestry and family research generally, remember to check our [What's on in Libraries](#) page for forthcoming events.

Other ways we can help you find the information that you need:

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