



How to use Ancestry at one of the branches of the ECRL

## **USING ANCESTRY.COM**

# SERVICES AVAILABLE @ LIBRARIES

- ❖ Each branch has 1 – 6 computers.
- ❖ Free Internet access
- ❖ Wireless network so you can use your own laptop.
- ❖ CD-burner, scanner, MS-Office, and laser printer.
- ❖ User account for Ancestry.com

# PERSONAL ACCOUNT

- ❖ Accounts come in two kinds an AREA and the WORLD.
- ❖ Current Costs (CAN\$/yr):

Area	Area cost	World cost
Canada	119.88	299.88
USA	236.00	351.00
United Kingdom	217.00	325.00

- ❖ Using the library access saves you \$300-\$351 per year.



# STEPS

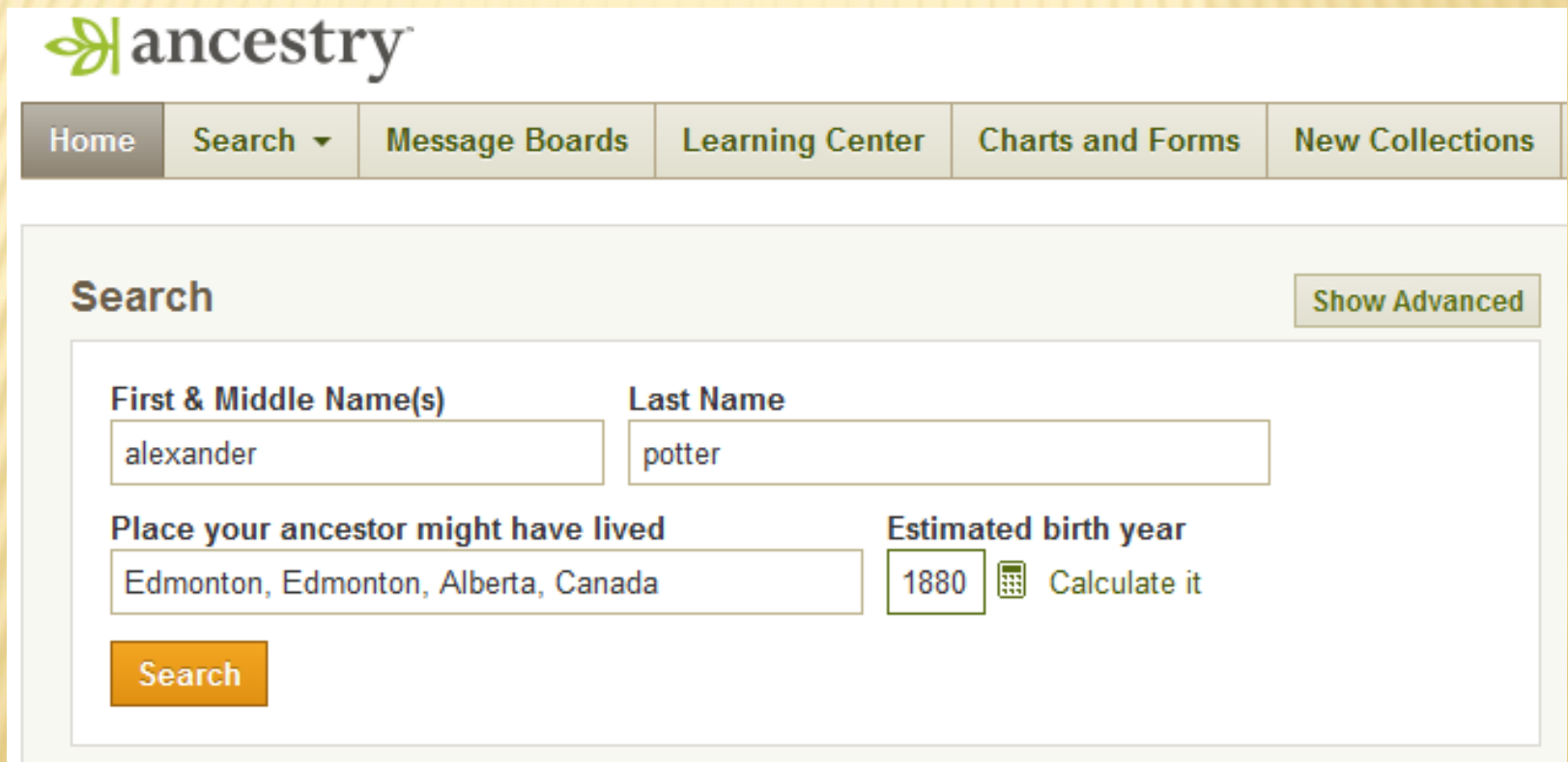
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- ❖ On a library computer or your laptop at the library.
- ❖ Run a browser and go the [ECRL's website](http://ecrl.library.ns.ca/) (http://ecrl.library.ns.ca/).
- ❖ Click the ancestry link on the ECRL's web page.



# EXAMPLE

## My Grandfather:




ancestry

Home Search ▾ Message Boards Learning Center Charts and Forms New Collections

**Search** [Show Advanced](#)

**First & Middle Name(s)**  **Last Name**

**Place your ancestor might have lived**  **Estimated birth year**   Calculate it

# LIVE DEMO

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- ❖ I'll now sign in and demonstrate the search that was just illustrated.

# REDUCING RESULTS

## All results for Alexander Potter

### Search Filters NEW

alexander

Broad  Exact

potter

BORN: 1880

ANY: Edmonton, Edm

Edit Search

New Search

Update

Results 1–20 of **1,402,575**

Records

Categories

### Matching Person (from family trees)

See more like this ...



*Birth:* 12 Oct 1880 - Durham, England

*Marriage:* 27 Jul 1918

*Death:* 31 Aug 1960 - Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

*Parents:* Mary Lockey

*Spouse:* Maud Jones

Alexander Potter

Potter Family Tree

### All Categories

- ▶ Census & Voter Lists +5,000
- ▶ Birth, Marriage & Death +5,000
- ▶ Military +5,000
- ▶ Immigration & Travel +5,000
- ▶ Newspapers & Publications 3,774
- Pictures 2,919
- ▶ Stories, Memories & Histories 3,267
- Maps, Atlases & Gazetteers 3,398
- ▶ Schools, Directories & Church Histories +5,000
- ▶ Tax, Criminal, Land & Wills +5,000

### Matching Records

#### Canada, Find A Grave Index, 1600s-Current

BIRTH, MARRIAGE & DEATH

NAME: **Alexander Potter**

BIRTH: 1880

DEATH: 1960

OTHER: Edmonton, Edmonton Census Division,  
Alberta, Canada

#### Web: Canada, GenWeb Cemetery Index

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# YOUR TURN

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## Search for a grandparent

- ❖ Try a grandparent first.
- ❖ Someone alive at the turn of the century.



# TAKING IT HOME

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- ❖ Screen capture:
  - ❖ Highlight, copy and paste to Notepad, WordPad or Word. Gives text which can be printed or saved.
  - ❖ Screen grab with PrtScn or Snipping Tool to the clipboard and pasted to Paint. Gives an image which can be printed or saved.
- ❖ Save directly to a file (print if needed).
- ❖ Print directly.

# LIVE DEMO OF TAKING IT HOME

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- ❖ How to Capture information on the screen.
- ❖ Save directly to the computer.
- ❖ Print directly

# WHAT DO YOU NEED!

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You should have a USB flash drive (<\$20),  
or print everything you find.



Save the files found to this drive, take the drive home, plug it into your computer and copy.



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### Five-Minute Find: Updated Search Forms



**5-MINUTE FIND**

Ancestry offers powerful search features to help you control the results you get from your searches. We are making a few updates to our search forms to make searching more intuitive and to help you more easily locate your ancestor. Give us five minutes and Ancestry Anne will show where to find all of your favorite features, and introduce you to some features you may have been missing.



# ANY QUESTIONS?

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- ❖ Make sure your information is on the sign in sheet.

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PDF copy of this demo is available at

<http://guyscogene.net/courses/ancestry.pdf>