

ChatGPT Examples

Genealogical Facts

1. Arthur John Hahn was born on 11 Nov. 1889 in Liberty, Grant County, Wisconsin. Who were his parents?
 - a. Where are vital records for Grant County, Wisconsin located?
2. I am Robert Cameron Weir. Who are my 8 great grandparents. Use the following genealogical report for reference:
 - a. Which of my ancestors was likely the richest?
3. Here are my ancestors to 7 generations. Who died the youngest? Who lived to the oldest age? Who had the most spouses? Who moved the most number of times?
4. What are some of the most important U.S. Gazetteers?
5. I share 165 cM with someone in a DNA test. What are the likely relations that could lead to this?
6. I have a 300 page genealogy that I've written up about my ancestry. It contains around 20 color photographs and 40 black and white ones. I want to publish around 50 copies for my relatives. What are my options for doing this, and how do they compare in cost?
 - a. Can you help me outline the book? It deals with a Polish-speaking family that left Prussia (now part of Poland) in 1850, arrived at the port of New Orleans and then made it up the Mississippi to Grant County, Wisconsin. For the first generation they were lead miners, and then they got into farming. I will cover the family generation by generation forward in time, to the 7th generation.
 - b. Can you tell me something about lead mining in Grant County, when it started, important persons and locations?
 - c. Can you suggest some publications, books, journals, or websites, for further reading on lead mining in this area?

Historical Knowledge

1. Can you explain what the "right of dower" is and why it might state in a land deed that a woman was relinquishing it?
2. How would one have traveled from Philadelphia, PA to Exeter, NH in July 1776? What specific roads were most likely, and how long would it have taken?
3. What daughter towns were made out of Dover, NH?
 - a. Can you cite sources for this?
4. Where in New England saw Scotch-Irish settlers?
 - a. And where did Scottish Highlanders tend to settle?
5. Imagine it is 1700 in Dover, New Hampshire. I will ask you questions and you will respond from the perspective of a minister in that town.
 - a. What year is it, sir?

- b. Who is your sovereign?
 - c. Are the men in Dover loyal Englishmen?
 - d. What is the main industry in Dover?
 - e. How many families are living in Dover?
 - f. What is your greatest fear?
 - g. Can you name the most prominent families in Dover?
 - h. What is the furthest you have traveled?
 - i. Where did you study to become a minister?
 - j. How much are you paid for your services?
 - k. Do you believe in witchcraft?
 - l. What do you like to eat?
6. Now imagine you are a farmer in Bromberg, Prussia, in 1860.
 - a. Who is your king?
 - b. What crops do you focus on?
 - c. Do you live in peaceful times or are you frequently at war?
 - d. Do you consider yourself German or Polish?
 - e. If you wanted to immigrate to America, how would you do it? What port would you leave from? How much would it cost? How long would the voyage take? Where in America would you settle?
 7. I have ancestors who lived in Bromberg, Prussia in the mid 19th century. What are some genealogical societies or historical societies that might help me research that place and time?
 - a. Tell me about the Polish Genealogical Societies
 - b. Can you explain how inheritance worked in 19th century Quebec?

Image Interpretation

8. Transcribe this photo of a headstone and explain what the abbreviation on top means.
9. Please transcribe this document. Make a strict transcription, preserving all original spelling, capitalization, line breaks, indentations, etc. If a word is uncertain, put a [?] after it. Also, give a title for the document in square brackets at the top, along with the date of the document. Follow with an interpretation of the purpose and significance of the document.
10. When was this photograph taken? What does the photograph show?
 - a. Are there any clues to the date in the photo?
11. When was this postcard from?
12. When was this photograph taken? Are there any clues from clothing, hair styles, etc.?
 - a. Approximately how old is each person in the photo?
13. What is this building and when was it built?
 - a. Can you describe the architecture and when this type was popular?
 - b. Were Carnegie libraries done in the Richardsonian Romanesque style?
 - c. How many Carnegie libraries were built and over what time period?
 - d. Were any created in New Hampshire that still exist today?
14. What uniform is this, what service and rank, and what do the medals signify?

Content Generation

1. Design a book cover for a 6x9 paperback. It is a nonfiction family history about three brothers who came to NYC in 1938 from Sicily on a steam ship "Saturnia". They were 17, 19, and 21 years old. The title of the book is "Fрати." The author is "R.C. Weir"
 - a. Can you show the same thing, but with no text in the image?
 - b. Can you make it photorealistic, black & white?
2. Design a book cover for a family history about the Cushing family who settled in Hingham, Massachusetts in 1628. The title is "The Cushing Family" and the author is "R.C. Weir" Make the title use a classic font like Times New Roman or Adobe Caslon. Have it feature an image of a colonial New England street scene.
3. Compose an email to the members of NHSOG promoting the 2024 genealogical webinar series. Mentioned the speakers, the dates, and the topics. Make it humorous.

PDF Reading

1. Which persons mentioned in this PDF lived in Dover, NH?
 - a. Was anyone mentioned in this PDF alive in 1900?
 - b. Can you summarize the article by George Varney?
 - c. What occupations are mentioned in that article?
 - d. Are there any book reviews in this issue?
 - e. Design an image for use on the cover of this issue, in a 6:9 aspect ratio, using themes from the article. Make it be a line art sketch.