

# 101 Top Tips to help you with your Genealogy Research Part 6

## Scots And Irish Research

**93** There are three major sources for Scots research: civil registration from 1855, the census between 1841 and 1901, and old parish registers which begin in the 16th century.

**94** Indexes to Scottish events are available at General Register Office for Scotland. A fully searchable and comprehensive index of Scottish records from the 16th century is online. [www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk](http://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk).

**95** Wills, deeds, valuation rolls and pre-1855 baptismal records of churches other than the Church of Scotland are with the National Archives of Scotland. [www.nas.gov.uk](http://www.nas.gov.uk)

**96** Irish research is tricky because so much was destroyed in a disastrous fire in 1922. In addition there are few parish records before the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

**97** The 1901 and 1911 censuses for all of Ireland (and much more beside) are available at the National Archives in Dublin [www.nationalarchives.ie](http://www.nationalarchives.ie). The Six Counties are covered by the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland in Belfast [www.proni.gov.uk](http://www.proni.gov.uk)

**98** Civil registration in Ireland began in 1864 (with Protestant marriages in 1845). For details visit <http://www.groireland.ie> and for the North (from 1922) [www.groni.gov.uk/index.htm](http://www.groni.gov.uk/index.htm)

**99** The Irish Origins website includes searchable databases of census data, Griffith's Valuation, ships' passenger lists and convict records [www.irishorigins.com](http://www.irishorigins.com).

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### Ten Essential Reference Books And CDs

It's worth looking out for these books and discs in larger reference libraries...

#### Books

##### *Dictionary of National Biography*

Lists of thousands of famous and not so famous Britons. A new much expanded edition is has recently been published.

##### *Phillimore's Atlas and Index of Parish Registers*

A comprehensive guide to parish registers and their location.

*Burke's or Debrett's Peerage*

Listing the aristocracy and their antecedents.

Directories to the professions, such as:

*Crockford's Clerical Directory,*

*The Imperial Calendar* and the

*Army and Navy Lists.*

Books of old photographs.

## **CDs**

*Who Was Who, 1897-1980*

also available in book form

*Palmer's Index to the Times,*

1790-1905; 1906-1980

*Soldiers Died in the Great*

*War Army Roll of Honour 1939-1945*

*Passenger and immigration lists to North America and the Caribbean, 1607-c1800*

**101** Above all family history is a hobby - enjoy it! It's meant to be a challenge, but you can do as much as (or as little) as you like whenever it suits you. And if you get side-tracked into some other historical research, well, that's all part of the fun.

## **Extra's**

### **Free Genealogy Software**

You can obtain a free copy of Legacy Family Tree Software from [Here](#)

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