



Saskatchewan GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Genealogy Treasure Hunt Contest Questions

1. Use the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society website (www.saskgenealogy.com) to answer these questions.

a. Using the RCMP Obituary Index what are the names of the seven people whose rank includes the word “Steward”? [Hint: use CTRL+F on your keyboard to search this.]

b. Using the Cemetery Index on this website, how many cemeteries are within 20 km of Wakaw, Saskatchewan?

What is the name of the cemetery that is the furthest away from Wakaw?

How many of these cemeteries does the SGS have records for?

What year was Wakaw – Town Cemetery indexed for the SRI?

c. Using the “Changes of Name” indexes, what did Keith Salley change his name to?

What year did he change his name?

Where did he live?



2. Use the Provincial Archives of Saskatchewan website (www.saskarchives.com) to “Search The Collection” for the homestead of Mrs Janet English.

a. What is the land location you found for this name?

b. The homestead file number is displayed as a part of the Ref. Code and is the number following the “S 42.” part of the code. Do not include the number in parentheses at the end of the file number. What is the homestead file number for Janet English?

If you are unsure about the homestead file number you could also use the homestead index on the Saskatchewan Homestead Indexing Project (SHIP) website (www.saskhomesteads.com) to answer this question.



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3. Use FamilySearch (www.familysearch.org) to answer this question as well as the information you found regarding Janet English in question 2. The FamilySearch site is a free site but you may need to log in to see the images. Locate the Saskatchewan collection titled “Saskatchewan Provincial Records, 1879-1987” on this website.
 - a. Looking at the list of digital homestead file descriptions (Record Type, Date Range and Volume), what is the title of the digitized images file that contains the homestead file for Mrs. Janet English?
 - b. Within this image file, what is the range of images that pertain to homestead file of Mrs. Janet English out of the total 1,075 images in the complete digital file?
 - c. Looking at the “Application for Entry” form, what does Mrs. Janet English give as her place of birth?
 - d. Looking at the “Sworn Statement” form of Mrs. Janet English, there is a question asking “When absent from your homestead where have you resided and what has been your occupation?” Where was she when absent and what was she doing?
4. Use the Automated Genealogy website (www.automatedgenealogy.com) to answer this question.
 - a. Select the 1911 Census in the list of “Indices to Canadian Censuses” on this site and search for Vera Poole in Saskatchewan. What are her parents' names?
 - b. How many people are in their household?
 - c. According to this database, when was Vera Poole born?
5. Use the OurRoots website (www.ourroots.ca) to answer this question.
 - a. The book *Who's Who in Alberta [1969]: a biographical directory* can be found on the OurRoots site. Search this book for the biography of Rev. R. O. Dyer. What was his mother's birth name?
 - b. Where was he born?
 - c. Who did he marry?
6. Use the Google News Archive site (<https://news.google.com/newspapers/?lh=en>) to answer this question. Some early issues of the Ottawa newspaper, *Ottawa Citizen*, are included on this site. Find the issues of this newspaper for the year 1900. Locate the article titled “Hero Dies Unknown.” in the February 26th, 1900 issue of this newspaper, page 8.
 - a. What is the name of the man who died?
 - b. Where did he die?



7. Use the Post Offices and Postmasters database on the Library and Archives Canada website to answer this question. Start at the URL <www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/Pages/discover.aspx> and locate the “Postal Heritage and Philately” link to get to this database. Search the Post Offices and Postmasters database to locate information regarding the BOWTELL family name.



- a. What are the names of the three post offices you found as a result of this name search?
 - b. What province are these post offices located in?
 - c. Who was the first postmaster at Frog Lake Post Office?
 - d. When was Mrs. Emma Alexandria Bowtell born?
8. Use the British Columbia Royal Museum website to search BC Vital Statistics (<http://search-collections.royalbcmuseum.bc.ca/Genealogy>) for the birth of Gordon Hepburn. The birth registration is included with this entry. Use this document to answer the following questions.
- a. What are the names of Gordon Hepburn's parents?
 - b. What is his date of birth?
 - c. What is the residence of the informant?
 - d. What do you learn about Gordon Hepburn in the “Remarks” area of the form?

9. Use the Troy Irish Genealogy Society website (www.troyirish.com) to answer this question. Select the tab labeled “Projects” and find the St. Joseph’s Cemetery, Waterford, NY – Interment Records link. Locate the entry for Georgiana Filkins.



- a. What was her birth name?
 - b. What was her husband's name?
 - c. When did she die?
10. Use the FreeCEN British webpage at www.freecen.org.uk to answer this question. FreeCen is a part of FreeUKGEN. Search the Database for the year 1881. Search for the Ackerley family in the Falmouth Census Place.



- a. How many people are in the household?
- b. What is the name of the head of the household and what is his occupation?
- c. What is the name and age of the youngest family member?
- d. Who else is living with the Ackerley family?