

Past, present, and future: How Genealogy has changed throughout the years



About Estate Research

We offer a range of genealogy services to the public sector

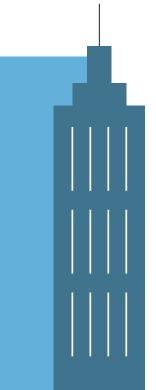
Established in 2001

56 full time staff

Head office in Wigan and an office in London









Today's presentation will cover...

1 Pre-conceptions of 'heir hunting'

- How the genealogy industry combines traditional research methods with modern technology
- Predictions for the future of genealogy





De-bunking pre-conceptions of 'heir hunting'

- Genealogy in pop culture not always an accurate depiction
- Much bigger focus on partnership with the public sector
- The majority of the work we do is solely for the purpose of giving family the opportunity to attends a relatives funeral





How does genealogy combines traditional research methods with modern technology?





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Exciting developments

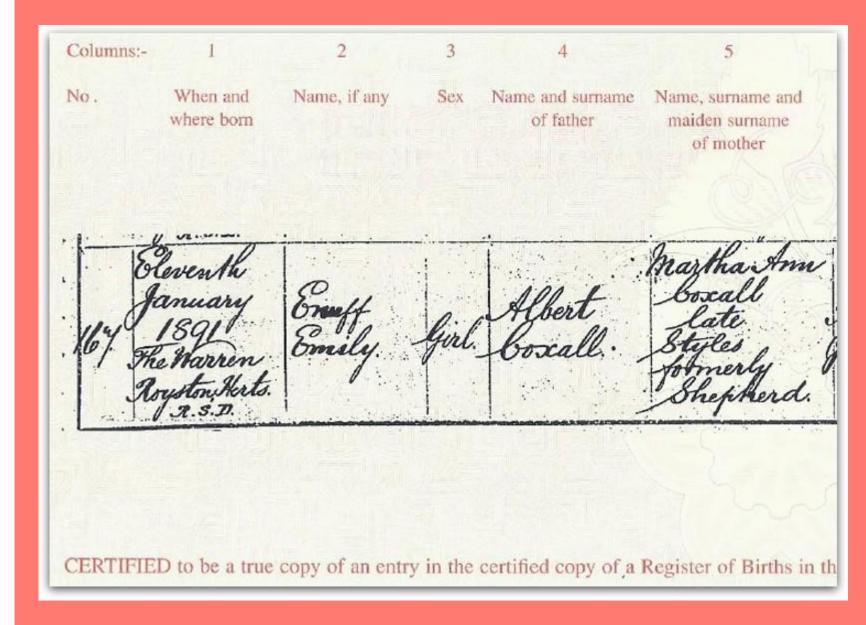
- The rise of genetic genealogy (DNA)
- DNA to find or prove family connections
- Genetic genealogy to assist the criminal justice system – 'Golden State Killer'

Possible challenges

- Change in demographic where and how people live
- Research implications
- Nothing we cannot face!



Had enough?





Thank you for listening!

