Wyck Previsit Activity #2

Family Trees

Another way to show different family generations is to draw a family tree. People sometimes use family trees to help trace their family history. A family tree may show many different “branches” of a family, including aunts and uncles, great aunts and great uncles, first cousins and second cousins.

Here is a simple form for a family tree. See how far back you can trace your own family on your own. Later, ask other family members, like a parent, an aunt or uncle, a grandparent, or even a great-grandparent for help. Or, you can make a Tree of Life, and include all the people who are special to you. You may be able to add other even older generations to your tree! Then turn to the next page and look at the family tree for the Haines family of Wyck.

FAMILY TREE

Directions:
Fill in the blanks on the family tree with the correct names, as directed above. For the blank at the trunk of the tree, write your full name. Then, moving up the tree to the branches, write parents and grandparents names. Here is the start of your family tree!
Some Residents of Wyck

Margaret Wistar 1728 - 1793
Reuben Haines I 1728 - 1793

Casper Wistar Haines I 1762 - 1801
Hannah Marshall 1765 - 1828

Rueben Haines III 1786 - 1831
Jane Bowne 1790 - 1843

Sarah 1813 - 1824
Margaret 1815 - 1816
Elizabeth 1817 - 1891
John 1820 - 1886
Hannah 1822 - 1908
Robert 1827 - 1895
Margaret 1830 - 1878
Jane 1832 - 1911

Wyck became Reuben III and Jane's full-time residence in 1820

Silhouettes of some of the Haines children
Some Residents of Wyck

Family Tree

Questions:

1. How many children did Reuben Haines III and his wife Jane Bowne Haines have?

2. Reuben and Jane had two children who died in childhood. Can you list who they are? How old were they when they died?

Wyck Previsit Activity #3

Family History

What are Your Family Heirlooms?

Family trees help us to learn about our own personal history and pass it along to the next generation. What are some other ways that people can remember their own history and pass it along?

Think about the objects in your house. Are there any special objects from older generations that you have saved? Maybe you have a lamp that came from Grandma’s house. Or maybe you have the trophy your uncle won in high school. What about an old teacup and saucer from your great aunt? Or a postcard sent to your mother when she was a little girl. All kinds of objects can have special meaning to us. They help us remember our family history. We sometimes call special objects like this “family heirlooms.”
Name a special object, or “family heirloom” in your own house, or in the house of one of your relatives? Why is it special to you or your family?


Draw a picture of this special object or heirloom.