

**Part 1:**

- A. What religion were the parents of John Thomas William Edward Harrison?
- Where did his parents live when he was born?
  - Find two other records that show that John Thomas William Edward Harrison is one person and not twins listed in the same baptismal entry.
- B. Zebulon Hill died in the late 17<sup>th</sup> century. Find the inventory record of his estate and use it to answer the following questions.
- What is the actual date given for the inventory of his estate?
  - When was the inventory approved by the probate judge?
  - What was his occupation?
  - How many books did he own?
  - Who witnessed the inventory?
  - Who was the executor of his estate?
  - What was the actual value of his estate?
  - Zebulon Hill and his wife Elizabeth had a son, also named Zebulon. When and where was the younger Zebulon born?
- C. George Cox was born about 1861. In the 1891 England census, he was living in Sissinghurst, Cranbrook. Kent. What is listed as his occupation?
- D. Find Albert Francis Learoyd in the 1900 census.
- What was his address?
  - What was his occupation?
  - What was his wife's name? How many children had she had?
- E. John Luke was born in 1615 in Barton St. David, Somerset, England. What commentary did the minister add to his christening record?
- F. Alice Harrison had a son named John, who was christened at St. Mary, Mirfield, Yorkshire, in the late 16<sup>th</sup> century.
- What was John's baptismal date (month and year)?
  - What was the name of John's father?
  - What is different about the entry for this baptism from the others on the same page?

G. Find the Walker family in the 1860 Lowndes County, Alabama, southern division census returns (page 132, household 950). What were the names and ages given for the children in the household?

H. Trace the following people through the census. For each census listing during their lifetime, list the place where they were enumerated, name as recorded in the census, age, relationship to the head of the household, occupation, and birth place.

- i. Alexander Graham Bell
- ii. Wyatt Earp
- iii. Susan B. Anthony
- iv. Frederick Douglass

I. Using the 1880 U.S. federal census returns, give the occupation for each of these people:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Residence</b>	<b>Occupation</b>
Tarrant Putnam	Wilton MN	
Benjamin Trulon	Bordentown NJ	
Laura Johnson	LaCrosse WI	
Bridget Malone	Bradford PA	
James Oxford	Gardner MA	
William Haller	Cincinnati OH	

**Part 2: Finding Franklin.**

Franklin Delano Roosevelt was born in 1882 in New York and died in 1945.

Find him in as many of the following census returns as you can. After the census listing, give the name of the town he lived in that return, along with the street address when available.

1892 New York state:

1900 federal:

1905 New York state:

1910 federal:

1920 federal:

1925 New York state:

1930 federal:

1940 federal:

*Questions:*

Who were his parents?

Did he have any siblings?

How old was he when he married?

What was his wife's name?

How many children did he and his wife have?

What were the children's names?

What was his occupation in 1910?

What was his occupation in 1920?

What was his occupation in 1930?

What was his occupation in 1940?

In 1910, did he own or rent his house?

What error do you see on the 1925 state return?

Where did his wife live in 1940?

In his World War I service data sheets, what did he list under what ships he had served on? What was his rank?

What address, phone number, and employer did he give on his World War II draft registration card?

**Part 3**

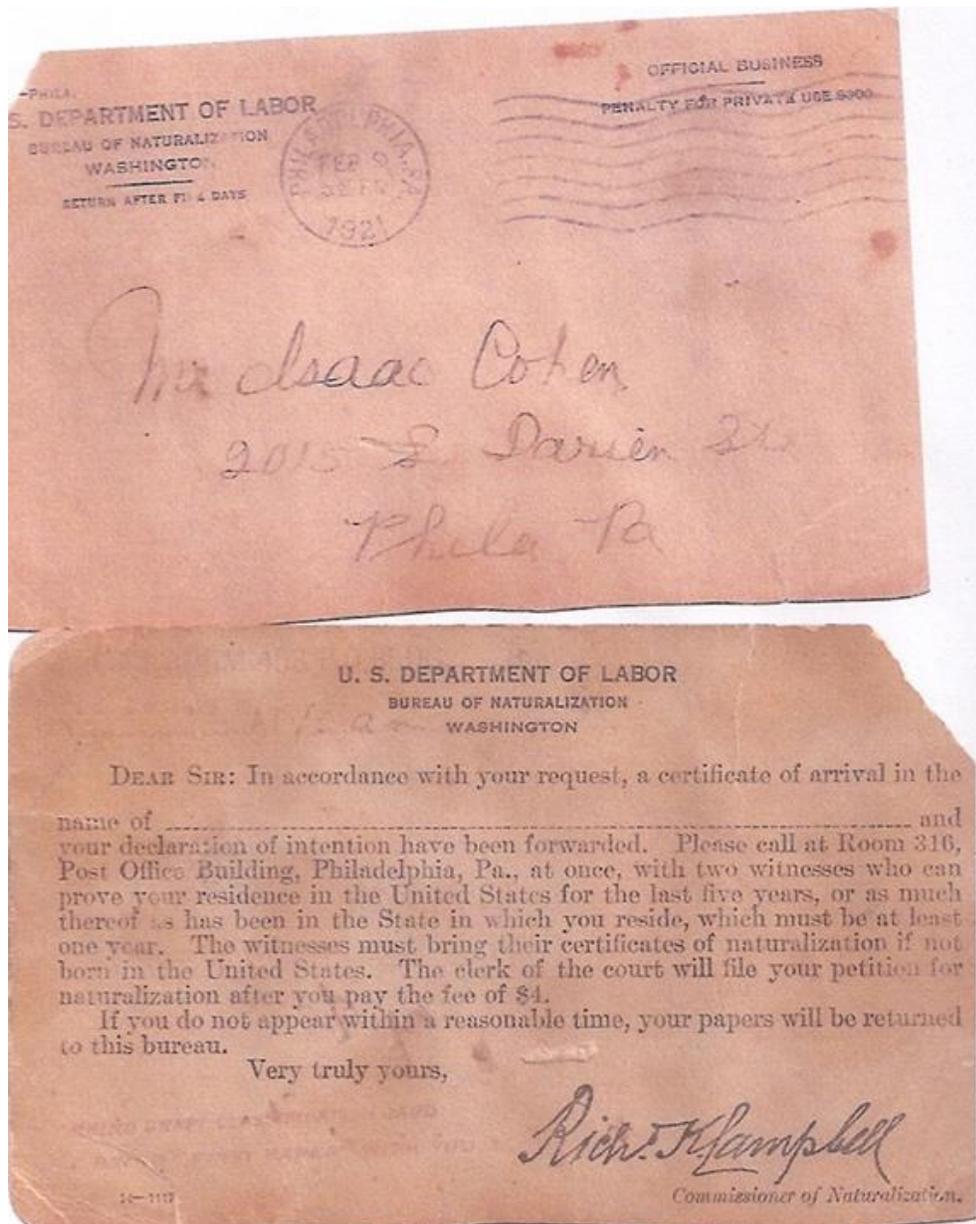
- A. Laura E. Poor was the daughter of Warren Augustus Poor and his wife Harriet M. Waterman.
- i. Where does the 1865 Massachusetts state census say she was born?
  - ii. How has Ancestry indexed her name in her 1883 marriage intentions?
  - iii. What was the date that Laura actually married Herbert Gardner?
  - iv. There are two birth records for her digitized at Ancestry. One is easy to find, based on the data from the 1860 and 1870 census returns, while the second is harder. Can you find both records?
- B. A patron comes to the library to research her great-grandmother, who was born in Danvers, Massachusetts.
- i. Using the 'explore by location' available in the search area of Ancestry or the catalog at FamilySearch, find two collections relevant to Danvers to search with the patron. Give the name of the collections and paste links to the two collections as your answer.
  - ii. Using Worldcat, find two books that the patron may want to look at to learn more about Danvers.
  - iii. If the patron wants to make a road trip to investigate more in person, what is the best archive to send him/her to for local research?

- C. A patron comes to the library with this postcard. Since it's postmarked 1921, the address is a clue to where the family was at the time of the 1920 census; the family later moved to New York City.

The patron also knows that Isaac's wife was named Jennie and his children, from oldest to youngest, used the names Benjamin Curtis, Irving Cohen, Paul Colby, and Morton Colby as adults.

Can you find the family's 1920 and 1940 census listings?

For your answer, give the address the family is listed at, as well as listing the name of each person in the household, age, birthplace, and occupation.



**Part 4: Reading old documents**

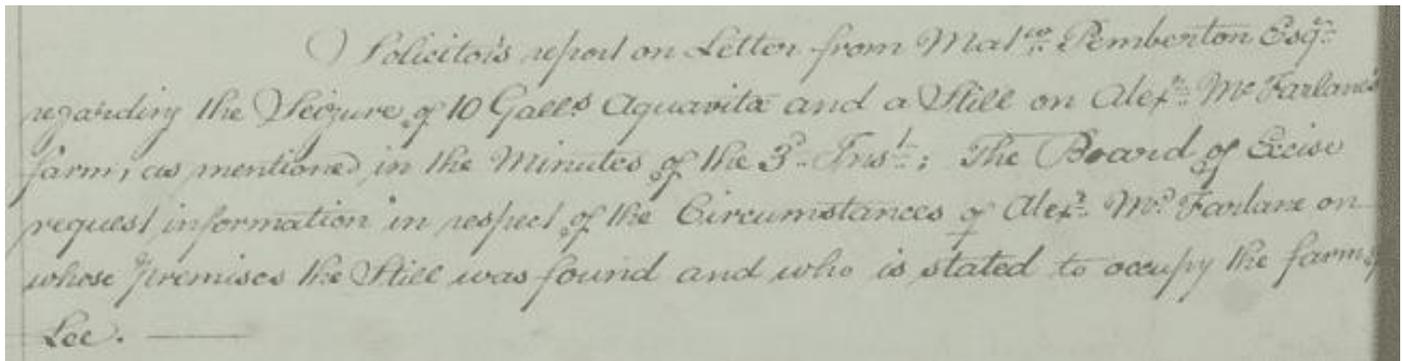
**General calendar, currency, and measurement questions.**

**Note: all of these can be answered either through Google searches or with the links provided in the paleography resources sheet {uploaded separately}.**

- A. What was the significance of Lady Day {March 25} in the old style calendar?
- B. What would the modern version of the date 12 February 1731/2 be?
- C. In England and its colonies, when was the new style {Gregorian} calendar put into use?
  - i. In France?
  - ii. In Russia?
- D. What is a regnal year?
- E. What Gregorian date was 13 July, Victoria 15?
- F. What year is MCMLXXVII?
- G. How many shillings were in a pound?
- H. How many shillings were in a crown?
- I. In 1640, how many days skilled labor could be bought for 16 shillings, 4 pence?
- J. What was the approximate current (2022) value in pounds of £2, 4s, 6d {two pound, four shillings, six pence} in 1820?

**2. Use the following record to answer these questions.**

- a. What was seized by the Board of Excise commissioners?
- b. Who did it belong to?

A snippet of a handwritten document in cursive script. The text is written on aged, slightly yellowed paper. It begins with a large opening parenthesis and describes a solicitor's report on a letter from Mr. Pemberton Esq. regarding the seizure of 10 Gallons of Aquavita and a Still on Alex. M. Farlane's farm. The Board of Excise is mentioned as requesting information about the circumstances of Alex. M. Farlane, whose premises the still was found on. The text ends with a period and a horizontal line.

( ) Solicitor's report on Letter from Mr. Pemberton Esq. regarding the Seizure of 10 Gallons Aquavita and a Still on Alex. M. Farlane's farm, as mentioned in the Minutes of the 3<sup>d</sup> Inst. The Board of Excise request information in respect of the Circumstances of Alex. M. Farlane on whose premises the Still was found and who is stated to occupy the farm.  
See. —

3. Use this record to answer the following questions.

Edinburgh, 5<sup>th</sup> March 1851.  
The Reverend Thomas Gray, M.A.  
and F.R.S.E., Minister of the Parish of  
Kirkcaldy, Fife-shire, Son of William Gray  
Esquire, Merchant & Shipowner in Aberdeen,  
and Harriet Barbara Burrell, his Spouse,  
Younger daughter of Major General George  
Burrell G. B. formerly Governor of Hong  
Kong now of Alnwick, Northumberland.  
Had a lawful Son born at N<sup>o</sup>. 28 Queen  
Street, Saint George's Parish, Edinburgh,  
on the Seventh day of February Eighteen  
hundred and Fifty one named George  
Burrell. Baptised in the Parish Church  
of Kirkcaldy on the Sixth day of April follow-  
ing by the Reverend Dr. William Stevens of  
Trinity College Parish, Edinburgh.

- What was the name of George B. Gray's maternal grandfather?
- What had the grandfather's occupation been?
- Where was the grandfather living when this record was created?
- How many daughters did the maternal grandfather have?

**4. Use this probate inventory of a drawing room to answer these questions.**

What was the tea table valued at?

How many elbow chairs were in the room?

What was the individual value for the elbow chairs?

What color were the curtains on the bed stand?

Drawing Room				
Grate, fender and fire irons	1	2		
Mahogany Card Table	1	5		
Round Mahogany Card Table	"	10		
A small stool	"	5		
Wagon Stand	"	2		
A Desk	1	10		
Boxes and Basket	"	5		
A small Mahogany Table	"	8		
A Tea Table	1	11	6	
A night Table	"	5		
A horse	"	15		
2 small Tables	"	4		
8 Elbow chairs at 12/6 each	5			
Carpet	2			
A small Mahogany press	"	15		
A folding Bed Stand with Green Curtains				
feather Bed and mattress	8	8		
two family paintings	2			
four prints	"	10		

**5. Transcribe the heading and the 1729 entries in this record.**

Note: In Scotland, mortcloths were used to cover the bodies or coffins of the dead before burial. Morthcloths were rented out by the local parish to those who couldn't afford to buy one. Often, the 'death' records in pre-1855 church registers are actually records of mortcloth rentals, rather than actual deaths or burials.

Received for Mortcloaths by John Fulton Treasurer in 1729. And 1730,					
1729	18 <sup>th</sup> October	the Best Cloath to Alex <sup>r</sup> : Mearns	6	0	0
	11 <sup>th</sup> November	the best little Cloath to Ja: Johnstons Child	1	10	
	30 <sup>th</sup> December	the best little Cloath to Will: Niccolsons Child	1	10	
1730	5 <sup>th</sup> febr	The best little Cloath to James Abercrombies Child	1	10	
	12 <sup>th</sup> March	The best little Cloath to John Downies Child	1	10	
	23 <sup>rd</sup> March	the large Common Cloath to Thomas Brown. Gratis			
	26 <sup>th</sup> March	The Best Cloath to The Lady Conventina Carnegie	10	16	
	14 <sup>th</sup> April	The Best Cloath to Mrs. Ann Badsnell	1	8	
	9 <sup>th</sup> May	The Best Cloath to David Durham	2		
	8 <sup>th</sup> June	the little Common Cloath to John Davidsons Child		15	
	19 <sup>th</sup> July	The little Velvet Cloath to John Coystons Child	1	10	
	29 <sup>th</sup> August	The little Velvet Cloath to Will: Hendersons Child	1	10	
	24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	The little velvet Cloath to Ja: Robertsons Child	1	10	
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**Part 5: Obituaries and census research**

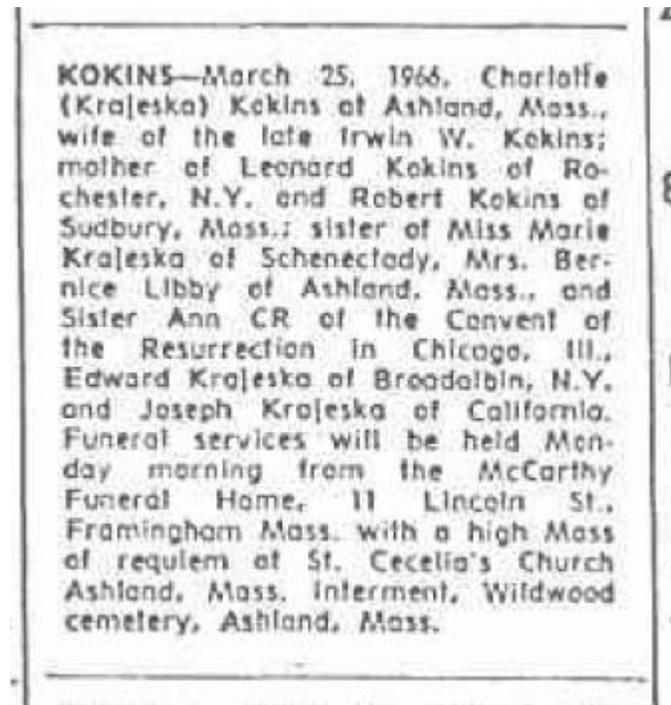
A patron brings the following three clippings {from the Schenectady, New York, *Gazette*} to the library and asks for help tracing this family.

Starting with the information in the obituaries, use Ancestry and FamilySearch to:

1. fill in the census matrix at the end of the practice sheet.
2. fill in a family group sheet for Vincent and Anna Krajeski.
3. complete a three generation pedigree chart with Vincent and Anna in positions 2 and 3 {any of their children can be in position 1}.
4. recommendations for the patron:
  - a. two places on-line to look for more information
  - b. two places to telephone or write to that might have more information than is available on-line.

**Obituary ~ Charlotte [Krajeska] Kokins**

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# To Celebrate Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Krajeski of Vermont avenue will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with open house Sunday from 4 to 7 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Krajeski were married Nov. 6, 1892, at Perth Amboy, N.J. They have lived in this city about 48 years. Mr. Krajeski is employed at the General Electric Co.

They have four daughters, Mrs. I. W. Kokins, Mrs. George Libby and Miss Marie Krajeski of Ashland, Mass., and Sister Ann of the Sisters of the Resurrection, Castleton; two sons, Joseph Krajeski of Ashland, who is with the United States navy, and Edward Krajeski of this city; three grandsons, Carl Kokins of Lynn, Leonard Kokins of States army air corps, and Kokins of Ashland.



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## Dies at Home Of Daughter

Mrs. Anna Kaminski Krajewska, 73, of 912 Vermont avenue, died yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. I. W. Kokins of Ashland, Mass., after a short illness.

Born in Poland, she came to this country as a young girl. She was the wife of Vincent Krajewski, and they would have observed their 55th wedding anniversary Nov. 6.

Survivors are her husband; four daughters, Sister Anne, C. and R., of Minden, Neb., Mrs. Kokins, Mrs. George E. Libby of Ashland, and Miss Marie Krajewska of Schenectady; two sons, Joseph B. Krajewska of Berkeley, Calif., and Edward Krajewska of Amsterdam; a brother, Stephen Kaminski of Schenectady; a sister in Poland; three grandsons and two great granddaughters, all of Ashland.

Mrs. Krajewska was a member of Jednosc Gr. 2417, ZNP; Holy Rosary society, Ladies' Aid Society, and the Mothers', Wives' and Sisters' club, all of St. Adalbert's church, and Sw. Wojciecha society.

Funeral services will be at 8:30 a.m. tomorrow in the home, Vermont avenue. A requiem mass will be chanted in St. Adalbert's church at 9 a.m., and burial will be in St. Adalbert's cemetery, Carman.

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Genealogy for librarians  
Practice sheet

<b>Row 1</b>		1905 New York State					1930 federal	<b>Notes:</b>
<b>Row 2</b>		Schenectady, NY					Schenectady, NY	
<b>Row 3</b>								
<b>Row 4</b>		Krajeski					Krajeska	
<b>Father's name</b>								
<b>Mother's name</b>								
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Row 1: census year

Row 2: census place [town and state]

Row 3: street address, if given

Row 4: surname as written in the census

In the boxes for each person for each census year, list:

- Actual given name used
- Age
- Birthplace
- Occupation

In the notes column for the children, indicate spouse's name for those who lived to adulthood or state that the child died young.

In the name column, enter the name that seems to be the most used version of a child's first name.

If a box doesn't apply to a person <say the person was born after or died before a census year, color the box in or otherwise indicate that person was absent because the census didn't apply to him/her.

If a person is missing from the census but should be there, indicate *not found*.