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ORGANIZATIONAL TOOLS

Research Management Systems

- Trello (<https://trello.com>) - Visual project management with cards, lists, and boards to organize research projects
- Goldie May (<https://www.goldiemay.com>) - Browser extension that helps maintain a research log and creates automatic citations
- Evernote (<https://evernote.com>) - Note-taking app with tagging system and web clipping capability
- Microsoft OneNote - Digital notebook with flexible organization and multimedia support
- Notion (<https://notion.so>) - All-in-one workspace for notes, tasks, wikis, and databases

Citation & Documentation Tools

- Zotero (<https://www.zotero.org>) - Free software for collecting, annotating, citing, and sharing research
- Cite-Builder (<https://cite-builder.com>) - Web tool with Evidence Explained templates for genealogical citations
- Online Repository Assistant (ORA) (<https://www.ora-extension.com>) - Browser extension that extracts data from genealogy sites and creates citations
- RecordSeek (<https://recordseek.com>) - Browser extension that creates citations and links to FamilySearch and Ancestry
- Legacy Family Tree's SourceWriter - Citation tool included in Legacy Family Tree (free version available)

File Management & Storage

- Google Drive (<https://drive.google.com>) - Cloud storage with Google Docs integration and collaboration features
- Dropbox (<https://dropbox.com>) - Cloud storage with sync across devices and sharing capabilities
- Microsoft OneDrive - Cloud storage integrated with Microsoft Office
- Adobe Acrobat Reader - For annotating and organizing PDF documents
- Advanced Renamer (<https://www.advancedrenamer.com>) - Batch file renaming tool for organizing digital files

Task Management & Productivity

- Todoist (<https://todoist.com>) - Task management app with projects, priorities, and reminders
- Microsoft To Do (<https://to-do.office.com>) - Simple task management with lists and due dates
- Bitwarden (<https://bitwarden.com>) - Secure password manager for genealogy website accounts
- NordPass (<https://nordpass.com>) - Another secure option for password management

RESEARCH TOOLS

Genealogy Software Programs

- Legacy Family Tree (<https://legacyfamilytree.com>) - Comprehensive genealogy software with robust citation features
- RootsMagic (<https://rootsmagic.com>) - Family tree software with WebHints and mapping tools
- Family Tree Maker (<https://www.familytreemaker.com>) - Genealogy software with Ancestry and FamilySearch integration
- Gramps (<https://gramps-project.org>) - Free, open-source genealogy software
- Evidentia (<https://evidentiasoftware.com>) - Software for organizing evidence and creating research reports

Online Research Platforms

- FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org>) - Free access to billions of genealogical records
- Ancestry (<https://ancestry.com>) - Subscription-based access to records with robust tree-building tools
- MyHeritage (<https://myheritage.com>) - Global records with photo enhancement and DNA features
- Findmypast (<https://findmypast.com>) - Strong in British, Irish, and Commonwealth records
- Newspapers.com - Historical newspaper archive

OCR & Transcription Tools

- Adobe Acrobat Pro - Professional OCR for converting document images to text
- Microsoft OneNote - Built-in OCR capabilities for images
- Google Drive - OCR capabilities for uploaded images and PDFs
- ABBYY FineReader - Powerful OCR software for transcribing historical documents
- Snagit (<https://techsmith.com/snagit>) - Screen capture and image annotation with OCR features

Timeline Creators

- OurTimelines (<http://www.ourtimelines.com>) - Free online timeline generator
- Aeon Timeline (<https://www.aeontimeline.com>) - Advanced timeline software designed for writers and researchers
- Preceden (<https://www.preceden.com>) - Web-based timeline creation tool
- FamilySearch's Timeline View - Built-in timeline feature in FamilySearch Family Tree
- TimelineJS (<https://timeline.knightlab.com>) - Free, open-source timeline builder for storytelling

ANALYSIS & VISUALIZATION TOOLS

DNA Analysis

- DNA Painter (<https://dnapainter.com>) - Chromosome mapping and DNA visualization
- Genetic Affairs (<https://geneticaffairs.com>) - AutoClustering and automated match comparison
- GEDmatch (<https://gedmatch.com>) - Advanced DNA comparison tools
- DNAGedcom (<https://dnagedcom.com>) - Tools for analyzing DNA matches across multiple testing companies
- MyHeritage AutoClusters - Automatic clustering of DNA matches

Mapping Tools

- Google Maps/My Maps (<https://www.google.com/mymaps>) - Create custom maps of ancestral locations
- Google Earth (<https://earth.google.com>) - Explore 3D visuals of ancestral locations with historical imagery
- Historypin (<https://www.historypin.org>) - Pin historical photos to specific locations
- MapChart (<https://mapchart.net>) - Create color-coded maps for migration patterns
- StoryMapJS (<https://storymap.knightlab.com>) - Create interactive maps with storytelling elements
- MyHeritage PedigreeMap - Shows ancestral places on an interactive map

Relationship & Analysis Tools

- Charting Companion (<https://charting-companion.com>) - Advanced genealogical charts and reports
- Family Tree Analyzer (<https://ftanalyzer.com>) - Analysis tool for GEDCOM files
- Babelmap (<https://r12a.github.io/pickers>) - Character picker for historical scripts and non-Latin alphabets
- GenSmarts (<https://www.gensmarts.com>) - Suggests research based on your existing data
- WhatAreTheOdds (<https://www.dnaadoption.org/WAO>) - Calculate the probability of relationships based on DNA

CREATIVE & SHARING TOOLS

Writing & Publishing

- Scrivener (<https://www.literatureandlatte.com/scrivener>) - Powerful writing software for organizing complex projects
- Microsoft Word - Word processing with built-in editing and review tools
- Google Docs - Collaborative document editing with commenting features
- Grammarly (<https://www.grammarly.com>) - Advanced grammar and style checking
- ProWritingAid (<https://prowritingaid.com>) - Editing tool for improving writing quality

Graphic Design & Presentation

- Canva (<https://canva.com>) - Easy-to-use graphic design tool for family trees, timelines, and presentations
- Microsoft PowerPoint - Create slideshows and presentations about family history
- Adobe Photoshop Elements - Photo editing software with face recognition features
- Microsoft Publisher - Desktop publishing for family history books and newsletters
- Lucidchart (<https://lucidchart.com>) - Create professional family tree diagrams and other charts

Web Publishing & Sharing

- WordPress (<https://wordpress.org>) - Create a family history website or blog
- Blogger (<https://blogger.com>) - Simple platform for family history blogging
- Wix (<https://wix.com>) - User-friendly website builder
- Flickr (<https://flickr.com>) - Share and organize family photos
- YouTube (<https://youtube.com>) - Share family history videos and tutorials

Photo & Document Preservation

- Vivid-Pix RESTORE (<https://vivid-pix.com>) - Enhance and restore old photos
- MyHeritage Photo Enhancer - AI-powered tool for improving historical photos
- Adobe Photoshop Elements - Photo editing and organization
- Shotwell - Free, open-source photo manager
- VueScan (<https://www.hamrick.com>) - Advanced scanning software for digitizing documents and photos

COLLABORATION TOOLS

Video & Communication

- Zoom (<https://zoom.us>) - Video conferencing for family history interviews and collaboration
- Microsoft Teams - Integrated communication platform with file sharing
- Google Meet - Video conferencing integrated with Google Workspace
- Skype (<https://skype.com>) - Video and voice calls, good for interviewing relatives
- StoryCorps App (<https://storycorps.org/participate/storycorps-app>) - Record and preserve family stories

Collaborative Research

- Google Docs - Real-time collaborative document editing
- Microsoft Office 365 - Collaborative suite of productivity tools
- FamilySearch Family Tree - Collaborative world family tree
- WikiTree (<https://wikitree.com>) - Free collaborative genealogy website
- Discord (<https://discord.com>) - Create servers for family history research teams

File Sharing & Transfer

- WeTransfer (<https://wetransfer.com>) - Simple file transfer service for large documents and photos
- Google Drive - Share files and folders with custom permissions
- Dropbox - File sharing with link generation and password protection
- OneDrive - Microsoft's file sharing and syncing service
- Box (<https://box.com>) - Secure file sharing and storage

PRODUCTIVITY & LEARNING RESOURCES

Educational Resources

- FamilySearch Learning Center (https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Main_Page) - Free tutorials and courses
- Ancestry Academy - Video courses on genealogy research
- National Genealogical Society (<https://www.ngsgenealogy.org>) - Educational resources for members
- Family Tree Magazine (<https://familytreemagazine.com>) - Articles on genealogy technology
- RootsTech (<https://www.rootstech.org>) - Annual conference with technology focus and online learning library

Organization Planners

- Microsoft Excel - Create research logs and tracking systems
- Google Sheets - Collaborative spreadsheets for research planning
- Research Log Templates (various sources) - Pre-designed templates for tracking research
- Mind Mapping Apps (e.g., MindMeister, XMind) - Visual brainstorming tools for research planning
- Printable Genealogy Forms (various sources) - Physical organizational aids

Helpful Browser Extensions

- Evernote Web Clipper - Save web pages to your Evernote account
- OneNote Web Clipper - Save web pages to OneNote
- Ancestry Search Connect - Search Ancestry from any webpage
- FamilySearch Tree Connect - Connect web pages to FamilySearch profiles
- Zotero Connector - Save citations directly from web pages

Thank you!

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