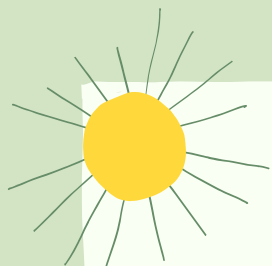


FIVE THINGS TO DO TODAY

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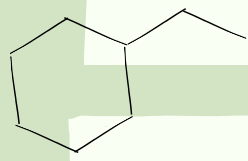
- terminology;
- relationships;
- the Genealogical Proof Standard (GPS);
- recording names, dates, and sources;
- and the most widely used charts and forms including the Pedigree chart and the Family GroupSheet (available FREE on the NGS website).

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