

### I most like reading family history...

- A) Stories (fictional or non-fictional)
- B) Instructional (how to) pieces
- C) Pieces by authors passionate about their opinions

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### When reading family histories I most like to...

- A) Be able to imagine the experiences of people in the past,
- B) Understand how genealogy research was completed
- C) Be convinced by a compelling argument

### When learning about family history I like to read...

- A) Stories with a message
- B) How research was conducted
- C) Opinions on the merits of a particular approach

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### I most like family histories that...

- A) Make me feel my ancestors emotions
- B) Explain all the evidence gathered
- C) Persuade me of the importance of events I'm reading about

### I want readers of my family history to...

- A) Be totally immersed in the world of my ancestors
- B) Understand my analysis of the evidence
- C) Be convinced of the importance of my message

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# A's

Mostly A's = You love descriptive and / or narrative writing styles. You want to see, hear, smell, taste and touch the past! You love a good plot, whether it's fictional or factual.

- Read ['How To Get To Know Your Ancestors Better without A Tardis'](#) for ideas on how to get beyond facts
- Read the "Bring Your Family History Writing To Life" [section of this article on writing tips.](#)
- Watch the 'Mastering Show Not Tell', 'Writing Techniques 1' or 'Secrets of Story Structure' workshops within the [Curious Descendants Club.](#)

# B's

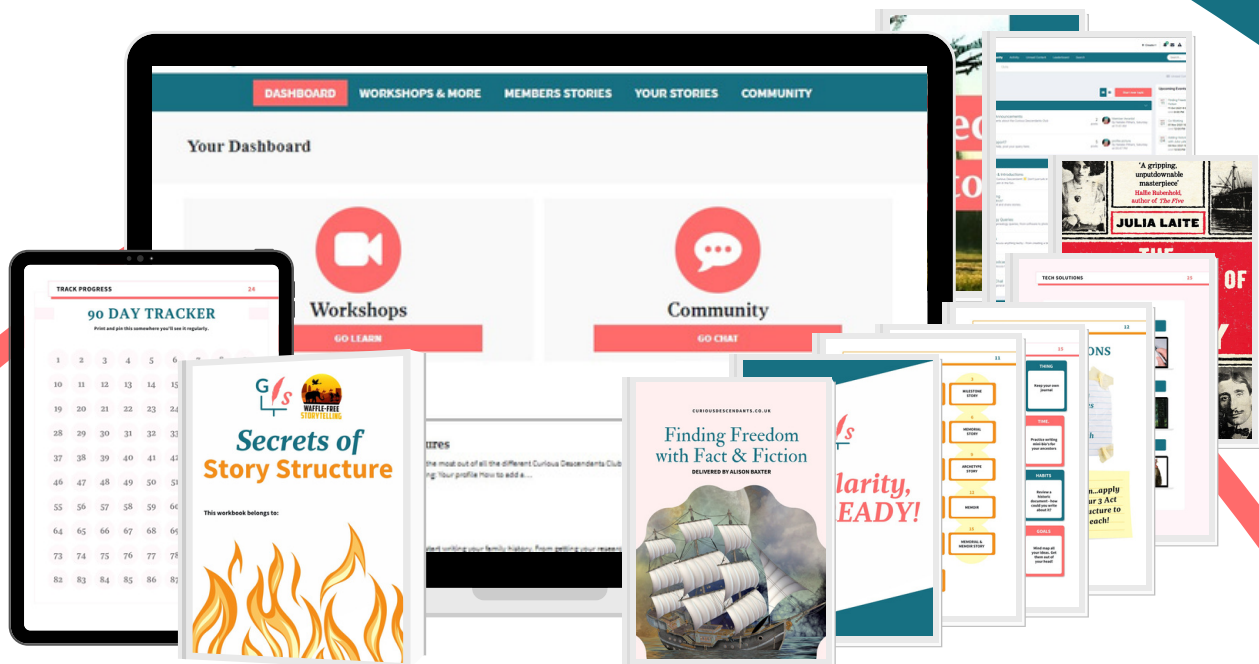
Mostly B's = You love expository writing styles. You want to see the evidence, follow the 'how to' and understand each step of the research process.

- Read an example of expository writing like, ['5 Tips to Make the Most of Genealogy Research Rabbit Holes'](#)
- Read ["Uncovering The Truth Behind A Royal Legend"](#) for an example of an expository story.
- Watch the 'Narrating Your Methodology Journey' or 'Finding Freedom with Fact & Fiction' workshops within the [Curious Descendants Club.](#)

# C's

Mostly C's = You love persuasive writing styles. You want read a passionate argument, to understand different opinions or see things from a new perspective.

- Read examples of persuasive writing like, ["Why Everyone Should Write Their Family History"](#) and ["Why You Should Examine Your Ancestors Signature"](#).
- Watch "How To Add Historical Context", "Writing Techniques" or "Getting Into Print" workshops within the [Curious Descendants Club.](#)



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