Key Differences between Ancestry.com and Ancestry Library Edition

USER EXPERIENCE

Ancestry.com is designed for the individual, so there are a lot of personalized functionality and options available to private subscribers that are not available in the Library Edition. The following is a list of major features and functionality in Ancestry.com that is **not** included in Ancestry Library Edition:

- *Collaborate*
  Includes all of the member's interactions from Members Connect (with each other), Message Boards, Ancestry's World Archive Projects and Public Profile.

- *Learning Center*
  Search family history how-to and genealogy learning materials. Browse or search the archives of the *Ancestry Daily News*, and popular Ancestry.com online columnists.

  The Learning Center tab in Ancestry.com is always available for free. However, depending on the library's firewall, some of the tutorial videos may not run.

  The newly announced Wiki from Ancestry for *The Source* and *The Redbook* is available in Ancestry Library Edition in the Help section, under the Wiki Tab.

  NOTE: *Ancestry Magazine* articles have been added to Ancestry Library Edition under the Learning Center tab in the "Help" section (the Help link is found at the top right corner of each page).

- *Shop*
  Buy Ancestry's and other genealogical publishers' books, magazines and CDs – including Ancestry's *The Source*, *Redbook*, *Printed Sources* and more. Separate titles (tabs) also permit purchasing DNA kits (and posting results), Hire an Expert (to help you with your research or photo copy a document for you) and MyCanvas (allows the researcher to self publish their research in book form).

- *OneWorldTree*
  OneWorldTree gathers family trees and family history records of millions of people, analyzes their birth, marriage and death data, and then displays the most probable matches. Essentially, this is a computer-generated lineage database.

- *Family Trees*
  This section of the website offers many ways to share and manage all the information you find at Ancestry.com. Recently added is the ability to upload photos, documents, and add stories about ancestors in the Personal and Public Member Trees. There is also a Family Trees Search tab especially dedicated for searching the family trees in Ancestry.com. Family Tree Maker software will not link to Ancestry Library Edition.

  The following tree content is not available in Ancestry Library Edition:
  - Family Data Collections (individual records; births; deaths; marriages)
  - Millennium File
  - One World Tree
  - Private Member Trees
  - Public Member Trees

  NOTE: The Ancestry World Tree and the Ancestry Message Boards are read-only for users of Ancestry Library Edition. You will not be able to upload GEDCOM data or other family tree software (such as Family Tree Maker), post messages, or reply to messages using Ancestry Library Edition.

DATBASES/COLLECTIONS

There are certain databases or collections that are available in Ancestry.com, but are **not** included in Ancestry Library Edition:

- *Obituary Collection*
  The collection contains recent obituaries from hundreds of newspapers. There is still a strong and growing collection in Ancestry Library Edition. But, newspaper titles offered by ProQuest are not available in the Library Edition. The collection contains both full text and/or abstracting/indexing access to the newspaper titles.

- *Members Connect* (previously *People Finder)*
  This feature helps to put users in touch with other researchers looking for the same ancestors.

- *Family Facts*
  Self-populating fields on the side of your search results screen provide additional facts about your search, such as the most common occupation of people with that surname.

  NOTE: This is available for free under the Learning Center of Ancestry.com.

- *Historical Newspaper Collection*
  These are mostly small town newspapers, and most do not have complete series / coverage. Many newspapers are provided to Ancestry through third-party vendors. They

are not available in Ancestry Library Edition due to licensing restrictions. The titles available through ProQuest Historical Newspapers™ are not available in Ancestry Library Edition.

- *ProQuest's G&LH Books in the Families and Local Histories Collection*
  These titles are found in *HeritageQuest Online*, available from ProQuest.

- *Periodical Source Index (PERSI)*
  This database is found in *HeritageQuest Online*, available from ProQuest.

- *Freedman's Bank Records*
  This database is found in *HeritageQuest Online*, available from ProQuest.

- *Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty-Land Warrant Application Files*
  This database is found in *HeritageQuest Online*, available from ProQuest.

- *Biography & Genealogy Master Index (BGMI)*
  This is a Gale Cengage Learning database. After AncestryPlus was discontinued, Gale licensed this content to Ancestry.com for the consumer market only. The data was last updated in the 2008 release.

- *Passenger and Immigration List Index (PILI)*
  This information is updated through 2009 with content provided by Gale Cengage Learning.

- *Gale City Directories*
  This is a Gale Cengage Learning database.

- *GPC (Genealogical Publishing Company)*
  There are about 90 titles from this publisher that are not available in Ancestry Library Edition.

- *Historical Land Ownership & Reference Atlases, 1507-2000*
  Some of this content is found in Historic Map Works® Library Edition.

This document does not list all differences between Ancestry.com and Ancestry Library Edition, only the key differences. Content and functionality is subject to change at any time.