

Relationship Chart

common ancestor	child	grandchild	great-grandchild	2x great-grandchild	3x great-grandchild	4x great-grandchild	5x great-grandchild	6x great-grandchild	7x great-grandchild	8x great-grandchild	9x great-grandchild	10x great-grandchild
child	sibling	niece/ nephew	grand niece/ nephew	great-grand niece/ nephew	2nd gr-grd niece/ nephew	3rd gr-grd niece/ nephew	4th gr-grd niece/ nephew	5th gr-grd niece/ nephew	6th gr-grd niece/ nephew	7th gr-grd niece/ nephew	8th gr-grd niece/ nephew	9th gr-grd niece/ nephew
grandchild	niece/ nephew	first cousin	1st cousin 1x removed	1st cousin 2x removed	1st cousin 3x removed	1st cousin 4x removed	1st cousin 5x removed	1st cousin 6x removed	1st cousin 7x removed	1st cousin 8x removed	1st cousin 9x removed	1st cousin 10x removed
great-grandchild	grand- niece/ nephew	1st cousin 1x removed	second cousin	2nd cousin 1x removed	2nd cousin 2x removed	2nd cousin 3x removed	2nd cousin 4x removed	2nd cousin 5x removed	2nd cousin 6x removed	2nd cousin 7x removed	2nd cousin 8x removed	2nd cousin 9x removed
2x great-grandchild	great-grand niece/ nephew	1st cousin 2x removed	2nd cousin 1x removed	third cousin	3rd cousin 1x removed	3rd cousin 2x removed	3rd cousin 3x removed	3rd cousin 4x removed	3rd cousin 5x removed	3rd cousin 6x removed	3rd cousin 7x removed	3rd cousin 8x removed
3x great-grandchild	2nd gr-grd niece/ nephew	1st cousin 3x removed	2nd cousin 2x removed	3rd cousin 1x removed	fourth cousin	4th cousin 1x removed	4th cousin 2x removed	4th cousin 3x removed	4th cousin 4x removed	4th cousin 5x removed	4th cousin 6x removed	4th cousin 7x removed
4x great-grandchild	3rd gr-grd niece/ nephew	1st cousin 4x removed	2nd cousin 3x removed	3rd cousin 2x removed	4th cousin 1x removed	fifth cousin	5th cousin 1x removed	5th cousin 2x removed	5th cousin 3x removed	5th cousin 4x removed	5th cousin 5x removed	5th cousin 6x removed
5x great-grandchild	4th gr-grd niece/ nephew	1st cousin 5x removed	2nd cousin 4x removed	3rd cousin 3x removed	4th cousin 2x removed	5th cousin 1x removed	sixth cousin	6th cousin 1x removed	6th cousin 2x removed	6th cousin 3x removed	6th cousin 4x removed	6th cousin 5x removed
6x great-grandchild	5th gr-grd niece/ nephew	1st cousin 6x removed	2nd cousin 5x removed	3rd cousin 4x removed	4th cousin 3x removed	5th cousin 2x removed	6th cousin 1x removed	seventh cousin	7th cousin 1x removed	7th cousin 2x removed	7th cousin 3x removed	7th cousin 4x removed
7x great-grandchild	6th gr-grd niece/ nephew	1st cousin 7x removed	2nd cousin 6x removed	3rd cousin 5x removed	4th cousin 4x removed	5th cousin 3x removed	6th cousin 2x removed	7th cousin 1x removed	eighth cousin	8th cousin 1x removed	8th cousin 2x removed	8th cousin 3x removed
8x great-grandchild	7th gr-grd niece/ nephew	1st cousin 8x removed	2nd cousin 7x removed	3rd cousin 6x removed	4th cousin 5x removed	5th cousin 4x removed	6th cousin 3x removed	7th cousin 2x removed	8th cousin 1x removed	ninth cousin	9th cousin 1x removed	9th cousin 2x removed
9x great-grandchild	8th gr-grd niece/ nephew	1st cousin 9x removed	2nd cousin 8x removed	3rd cousin 7x removed	4th cousin 6x removed	6th cousin 5x removed	6th cousin 4x removed	7th cousin 3x removed	8th cousin 2x removed	9th cousin 1x removed	tenth cousin	10th cousin 1x removed
10x great-grandchild	9th gr-grd niece/ nephew	1st cousin 10x removed	2nd cousin 9x removed	3rd cousin 8x removed	4th cousin 7x removed	6th cousin 6x removed	6th cousin 5x removed	7th cousin 4x removed	8th cousin 3x removed	9th cousin 2x removed	10th cousin 1x removed	eleventh cousin

Cousins?

"I get so confused trying to figure it all out, that I just tell people we are cousins."

True, but as a genealogist you still can't help but wrestle with the real relationship status. The Relationship Chart is your "cousin calculator" and will help you to formally document your relationships. But if that Family Reunion gets too intense, just go ahead and tell them that "you really are just cousins."

How to use the calculator:

- 1) Find the most recent common ancestor that you share.
 - a) ex: Your grandmother's brother's daughter and you, the common ancestor is your great-grandparent, which is her grandparent. Let's call her "Grandma Lois."
 - b) Lois is now the name we are assigning as the "common ancestor" in the first box of the chart. Makes it a tad more personal, don't you think?
 - c) Move your finger along the top row until you find your relationship to your common ancestor "Lois," which is great-grandchild.
 - d) Then move your finger down the left-hand column until you find your grandfather's brother's daughter's relationship to your common ancestor "Lois," which is grandchild.
 - e) The point at which the row and column meet show your relationship to each other, which is "first cousin once removed."

Have fun calculating your cousin connections! It's all relative.