

TMG: Creating Research Lists

List of End-of-line ancestors

(	* Field	Subfield	Operator	Value	)	Connect
	Is an Ancestor		of ID #	1		AND
	Father*		Is Not Kr			AND
	Mother*		Is Not Kr			END

This filter can be used in either the List of . . . People (LOP) report format or in the Project Explorer. It will give all of the people in the project who are ancestors of, in this case, Person ID #1 whose mother and father have not been entered. I prefer to use an OR between the mother and father entries to get anyone for whom I have entered one, but not both parents too. This is especially helpful when returning to one line to see where your data ends.

Candidate lists for certain data types

(	* Field	Subfield	Operator	Value	)	Connect
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Birth...	Date	>= Doe:	28 APR 1877		AND
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Birth...	Date	<= Doe:	16 FEB 1897		AND
<input type="checkbox"/>	SEX		= Equal	M		AND
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Death...	# of Tags	= Equal	0	(	OR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Death...	Year	> Is gre	1942	)	AND
<input type="checkbox"/>	Any Event...	Any Place Fi	Contains	[?]		END

This is a filter I created for a List of . . . People (LOP) report to find everyone who should be found in the 4th (old man's) WW II draft registration that is going up on Ancestry.com. I left a place field to fill in so that I can specify men who have records in a given state as the records go up by state (for those that still exist, some states don't).

Lists of people missing certain tags

TMG users often want to find the people for whom they are missing an event. A frequent question is how to do this for specific census years. If you create custom tags for each census year, this is relatively simple. To find folks, create birth and death filter lines similar to the one above and then look for the tag type with # = zero.

If you are like me and use the standard census tag for all entries, a two-step process is probably needed. I have a custom flag in my project just called "My Flag" which can be used for any purpose [see Terry Reigel's TMG Tips on Flags: <http://www.reigelridge.com/tmg/basics-flags.htm>]. To find missing census entries for a given year, say 1880, I would first run a List of . . . Events (LOE) report (and save the definition!) with secondary output for all Witnesses where My Flag would be changed to Yes for people with an event meeting the criteria. (Actually I would need to run a LOP for all people in the project, changing My Flag to No first.) The LOE report would ask for Tag Type Label = CENSUS AND Date - Year = 1880.

(	* Field	Subfield	Operator	Value	)	Connect
	Tag Type...	Label	= Equal	CENSUS		AND
	Date - Year		= Equal	1880		END

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change Flag
For whom: All Witnesses
Principal
Flag: MY_FLAG#1
Y

Once the flag is set for all principals and witnesses to census tags in 1880, I can run a LOP report like the one above, but for the last line ask for people for whom My Flag = No.

