

Reasons for Compiling a Genealogy

1. identification for legal purposes (inheritance, etc.)
2. establishment of rights to social position (nobility, kinship, priesthood)
3. proof of racial purity
4. prideful demonstration of relation to famous persons
5. strengthening of position or authority by tracing origin back to important ancestral appointment to that post
6. establish relationships among people-groups (nations, tribes, clans)