

Creating an Interactive PowerPoint Family Tree Using Hyperlinks

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What is an Interactive PowerPoint Family Tree?

1. A pedigree chart that you can "walk" through
2. It uses Hyperlinks to create interactivity in a presentation
3. Contains objects that takes you to places you define
4. Contains documentation or links to the history of people, places, events or references

Why did I use PowerPoint to create my family tree?

1. Worldwide. I have relatives in China and Hong Kong viewing and updating my family tree
2. Available on every electronic platform
3. Easy to view
4. Free PowerPoint Viewer from Microsoft
5. Convertible to PDF format
6. Microsoft is not going out of business soon
7. Free software with OpenOffice, for PC and Mac from Apache if you don't have PowerPoint

What are the drawbacks?

1. Need to know how to create PowerPoint slides
2. Need for some training to use Hyperlinks (hopefully we fix that today)

What is a Hyperlink?

In my words: "*Click on something, go some place and you determine where that place is*".

There are many types of Hyperlinks, 4 is all you need

1. Go to slide within a presentation
2. Go to slide in another file (presentation)
3. Action Buttons: Go to 1st slide, second slide, last slide, previous, exit show
4. Go to a URL in the world wide web

What is Kiosk mode?

Using the sample files created for this workshop, we will create an Interactive Family Tree; linking Walt's, Minnie's Mom and Donald Duck's Family Tree

So, what are you going to do with all the data you've gathered to-date?

1. You can put all that information into an Interactive PowerPoint Family Tree and
2. Create a presentation that shows the hierarchy of your family and at the same time provide some family history and knowledge?