

A List of Books That Every Genealogist Should Consider Purchasing When Building a Home Research Library. Compiled by Michael A. Freeland from various sources

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