



HISTORIC WORDS WORKSHEET

When studying the stories of our families and our neighbourhoods there are a few words that are helpful to understand. An old Scottish word for the extended family is the clan. The family from long ago are our ancestors. All the people who live near us are our community. When we leave something like ideas, art, inventions, buildings for future generations this is legacy. When something is left for us this is inheritance. If we look for facts and figures about the past in the library or online we are doing research. Things like certificates and legal papers that we find are historical documents. An interesting or exciting story from the past is known as a legend.

See if you can link each word below with its meaning by drawing an arrow between each word and its meaning. The first one has been done for you.

Legacy	Written evidence
Clan	People living in your area
Research	What you get from the past
Documents	Old Scottish family group
Ancestors	Famous story
Community	Looking for historical facts
Inheritance	What is left for the future
Legend	Family from the past