










FAMILY CREST PROJECT





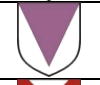

Objective: After studying heraldic symbols, colors and designs, create a family coat of arms that represents you and your family. Chose at least one of the following:

1. Colors: For symbols and dividers.





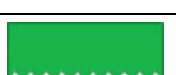



Gold		Generosity and elevation of the mind
Silver/ White		Peace and sincerity
Red		Warrior or martyr; Military strength
Blue		Truth and loyalty
Green		Hope, joy, and loyalty in love
Black		Constancy or grief
Purple		Royal majesty, sovereignty, and justice
Orange		Worthy ambition
Maroon		Patient in battle, and victorious



2. Dividers: divide the shield into different sections, but also have meaning.

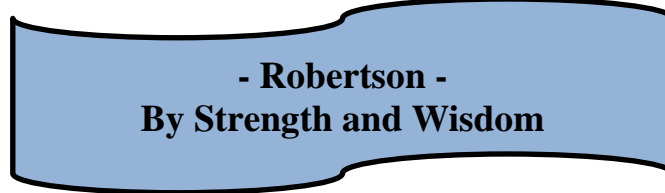
Chevron		Protection; symbol of builders
Bend/Bendy		Signifies defense or protection
Fess/Fesse		Belt of honor; represents readiness to serve the public
Pale/Palet/Pallet/Paly		Military strength
Pile		Engineering skills, builder
Saltire		Resolution/determination (St. Andrew's Cross)

3. Lines:


















Nebuly Line		Clouds or air
Wavy Line		Sea or water
Engrailed Line		Earth or land
Invected Line		Earth or land
Indented Line		Fire
Dancette Line		Water
Raguly Line		Difficulties that have been overcome
Embattled Line		Walls of a fortress or town

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4. **Family Name and Motto:** Write your last name in the banner below the shield and create a motto to describe yourself or your family. The motto should be between one and five words.



5. **Heraldic Symbols:** Choose at least three symbols to put on your shield. Choose one or more to represent yourself and include family members if you want. Examples include:

Anchor	 Hope	Griffin	Valor and death-defying bravery
Angels	Dignity, Glory, honor	Hammer	Honor; emblem of the smith's trade
Ant	 Wise worker	Heart, Flaming	Intense, burning affection
Antlers	 Strength	Horse	Readiness for all employments
Anvil	 Honor, maker	Horseshoe	Good luck and safety against evil
Apple/Tree	Happiness and peace	Ivy Leaves	Strong and lasting friendship
Armored hand	 Leader	Label	 Firstborn
Arrow	Readiness	Lightning Bolt	Swiftness and power
Axe	Military Duty	Lion	 Dauntless Courage
Ring	 Fidelity (loyalty)	Moon	Serene power
Bat	Power of darkness	Mullet (Star)	Mark of a third born
Beacon	 One who is watchful	Musical Pipes/flutes	Festivity and rejoicing
Bear	 Strength, protector	Otter	One who lives life to the fullest
Bee	 Hard worker	Owl	One who is vigilant and witty
Bell	Rid of evil spirits	Panther	Fierce, but tender with children
Boar	 Bravery	Pen	Art of writing and educating
Boar's Head	 Hospitality	Phoenix	Symbol of resurrection
Bones	Mortality	Plant	Hope and joy
Bow	 Readiness	Rainbow	Good times after bad
Bridge	 Leader	Rock	Safety and protection; refuge
Buck	 Peace and harmony	Rose, Red	 Grace and beauty

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Bull's Head	 Bravery, generosity	Sabre (Sword)	Justice and/or military honour
Butterfly	 Soul	Saddle	Preparedness for active service
Caduceus	 Healer	Serpent	 Wisdom
Candle/Lamp	 Life and spirituality	Shamrock	Endlessness
Castle	 Safety	Ship	Ancient sea voyages
Cat	 Liberty, courage	Skull	Mortality
Crow	 Strategist, watchful	Snail	Deliberation and perseverance
Cinquefoils	 Hope and joy	Spider	Wisdom, labor, and prudence
Clouds	Mystery	Spur	Preparedness, pressing onward
Crescent	 glory	Square Symbols	Constancy
Dagger or dart	 Justice and honor	Sun	Glory, fountain of life
Dog	 Courage and loyalty	Swan	 Harmony, grace, learning and love
Dove	 Loving and peace	Tiger	 Fierce, brave and dangerous
Dragon	Valiant defender of treasure	Torch	Life truth and intelligence
Drum	Ready for war	Tree	Life
Eagle	Strength, bravery, and alertness	Shamrock	 Eternity
Eye	Leader in government	Unicorn	Extreme courage; virtue and strength
Feathers	Obedience/serenity	Vine	Strong and lasting friendship
Flowers	Hope and joy	Vol (Set of Wings)	 Swiftness and protection
Fruit	Felicity (happiness) and peace	Wreath	 Triumph