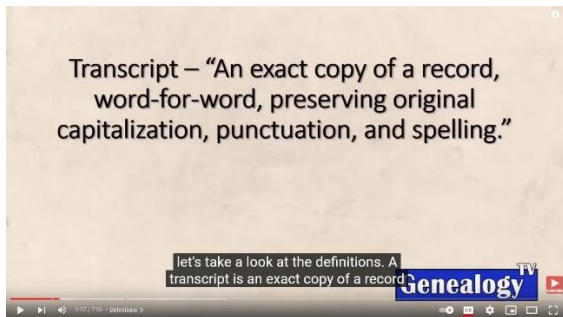


The Magic of Discovering and Transcribing Old Letters and Postcards:

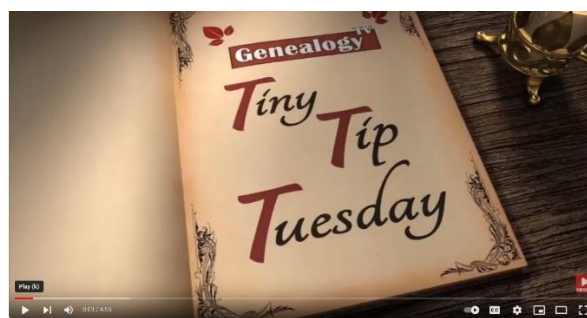
Ever wonder about this familiar quoted phrase: “There are many ways to skin a cat?” The earliest known version that this phrase was recorded was in 1678 in the second edition of John Ray's collection of English proverbs, in which he gives it as “There are more ways to kill a dog than hanging”. What does the phrase “there's more than one way to skin a cat” mean? It means that **you can go about anything in multiple ways**. In genealogy, there are many ways to initiate original research. Looking for a new methodology to break down brick walls with an interesting and productive way to learn more about your ancestors?

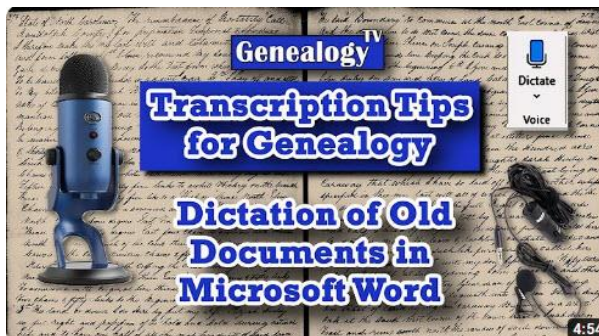
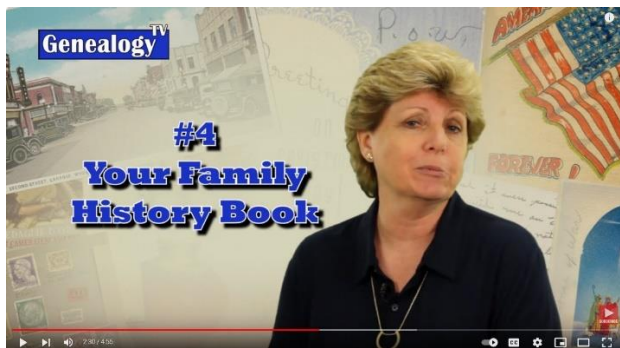
Check out this 4:55 minute video from **Genealogy TV's Constance Knox**, entitled **Top 5 Reasons to Transcribe Old Family Letters and Postcards**. Reason #1 is to discover details that may be new to you, and #2 are tips on including what you learn from transcriptions into your ancestors' stories. For more about finding important information in your family documents, see these two links on The Family Search Guide at **Goal 1** in Project 2: Memories. (**See all tips**.) The author provides the top 5 reasons you should transcribe your old family letters and postcards plus several bonus tips about transcribing them. Transcribing old family letters and postcards are very important to preserving your family history. Learn why in this *Tiny Tip Tuesday* episode through its comment section and the author will respond to you. Her premise is that you can go further, fastest and more factual with your family research by transcribing your old family letters and postcards. Transcribing is a three-step process going from striking out the details from the document to its abstract format. If you need help in learning how to transcribe better, the author has another pertinent video tutorial on this subject at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NDPVI7yFaSE>.



Closing comments.

Details is what genealogy is all about. Never eliminate all avenues of research. **The Family History Guide** is really a tutorial loaded website with tricks and tips to motivate your research beyond sticking points. Check out their thorough table of contents at <http://www.thefhguide.com> and you will not be disappointed. Here's a concise 1:56 minute video clip highlighting the depth of information readily available for this website at: [http://www.kuzmich.com/The Family History Guide/The Family History Guide T of C.mp4](http://www.kuzmich.com/The%20Family%20History%20Guide/The%20Family%20History%20Guide%20T%20of%20C.mp4).





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