INSTRUCTIONS

- **1.** Identify the most recent common ancestor of the two individuals with the unknown relationship.
- **2.** Determine the common ancestor's relationship to each person (for example, grandparent or great-grandparent).

Relationship Chart

- **3.** In the topmost row of the chart, find the common ancestor's relationship to cousin number one. In the far-left column, find the common ancestor's relationship to cousin number two.
- **4.** Trace the the row and column from step 3. The square where they meet shows the two individuals' relationship.

The Most Recent Common Ancestor is Number One's...

	parent	grandparent	great-grand- parent	great-great- grandparent	third-great- grandparent	fourth-great- grandparent
parent	siblings	nephew or niece	grandnephew or -niece	great-grand- nephew or -niece	great-great- grandnephew or -niece	third-great- grandnephew or -niece
grand- parent	nephew or niece	first cousins	first cousins once removed	first cousins twice removed	first cousins three times removed	first cousins four times removed
great- grand- parent	grandnephew or -niece	first cousins once removed	second cousins	second cousins once removed	second cousins twice removed	second cousins three times removed
great- great- grand- parent	great-grand- nephew or -niece	first cousins twice removed	second cousins once removed	third cousins	third cousins once removed	third cousins twice removed
third- great- grand- parent	great-great- grandnephew or -niece	first cousins three times removed	second cousins twice removed	third cousins once removed	fourth cousins	fourth cousins once removed
fourth- great- grand- parent	third-great- grandnephew or -niece	first cousins four times removed	second cousins three times removed	third cousins twice removed	fourth cousins once removed	fifth cousins