

Families

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Connections

Writing

Write a letter to Mark telling him what you learned about his family.

Math

Make a graph showing how many boys, girls, men, and women from Mark's family will be at the lake. How many are in each group? Discuss your findings with a partner.

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Focus Question

Who is in Mark's family?

Words to Know

half sister

son-in-law

members

stepchildren

siblings

stepfather

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This is Mark.

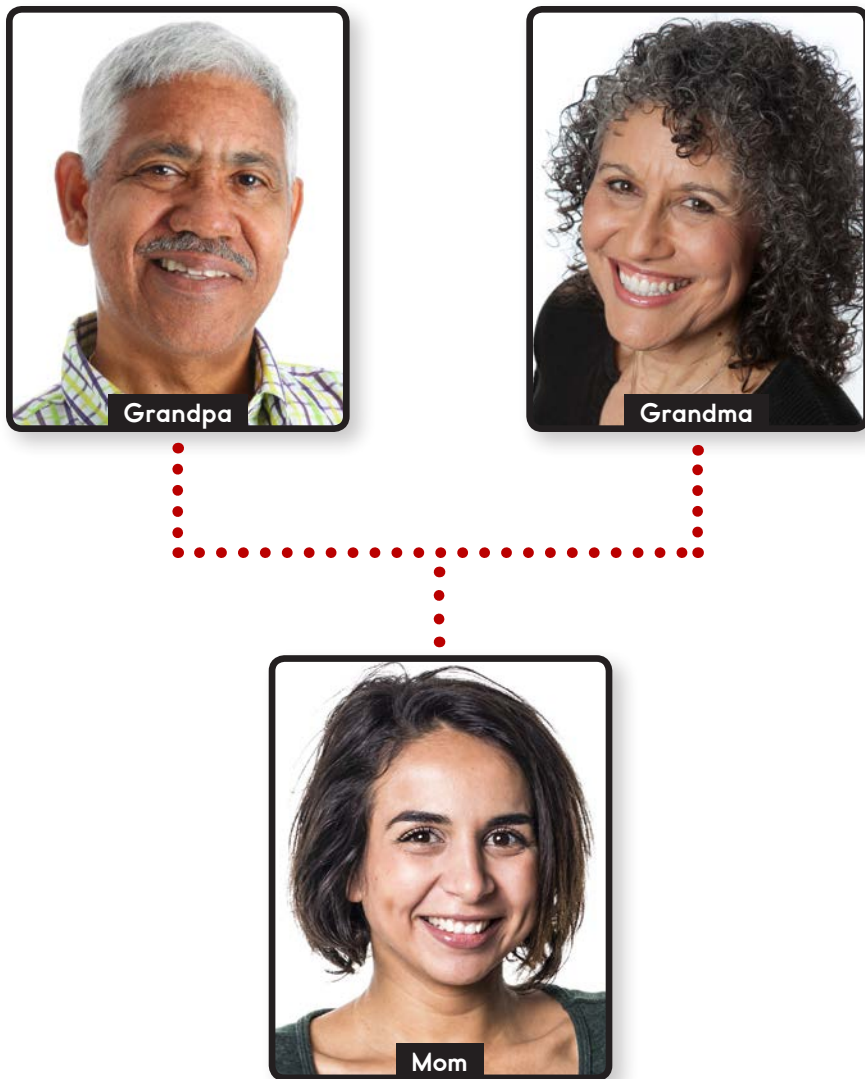
Every summer, he spends a week at the lake with his family.

Let's meet some of his family **members**.

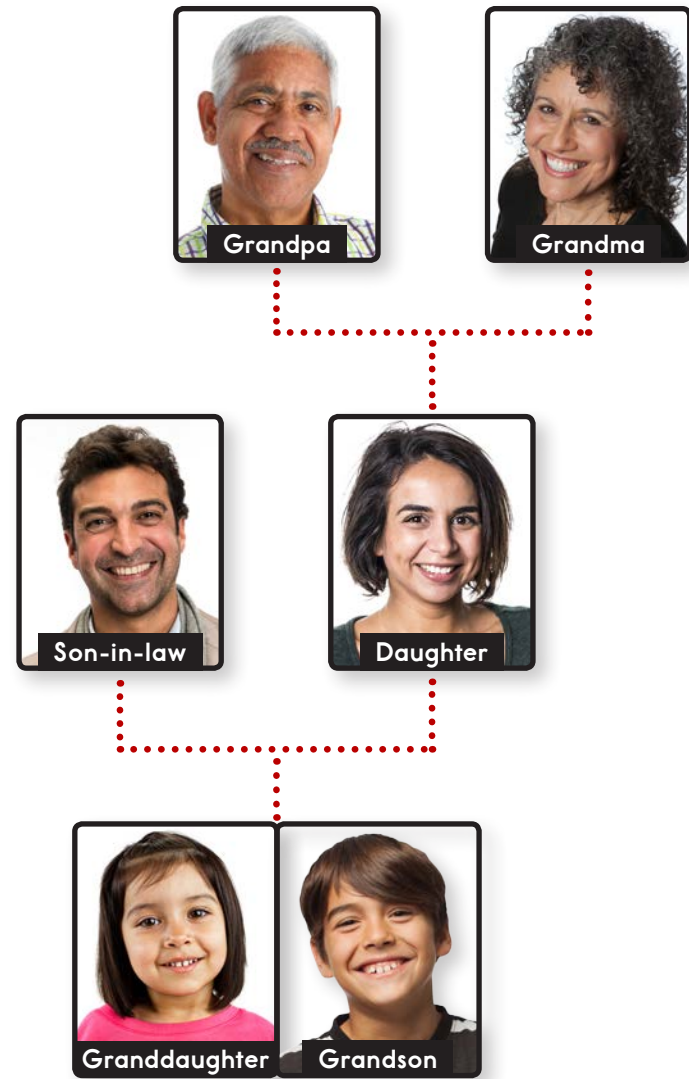


Mark always goes to the lake with his mom and dad and his sister, Anna.

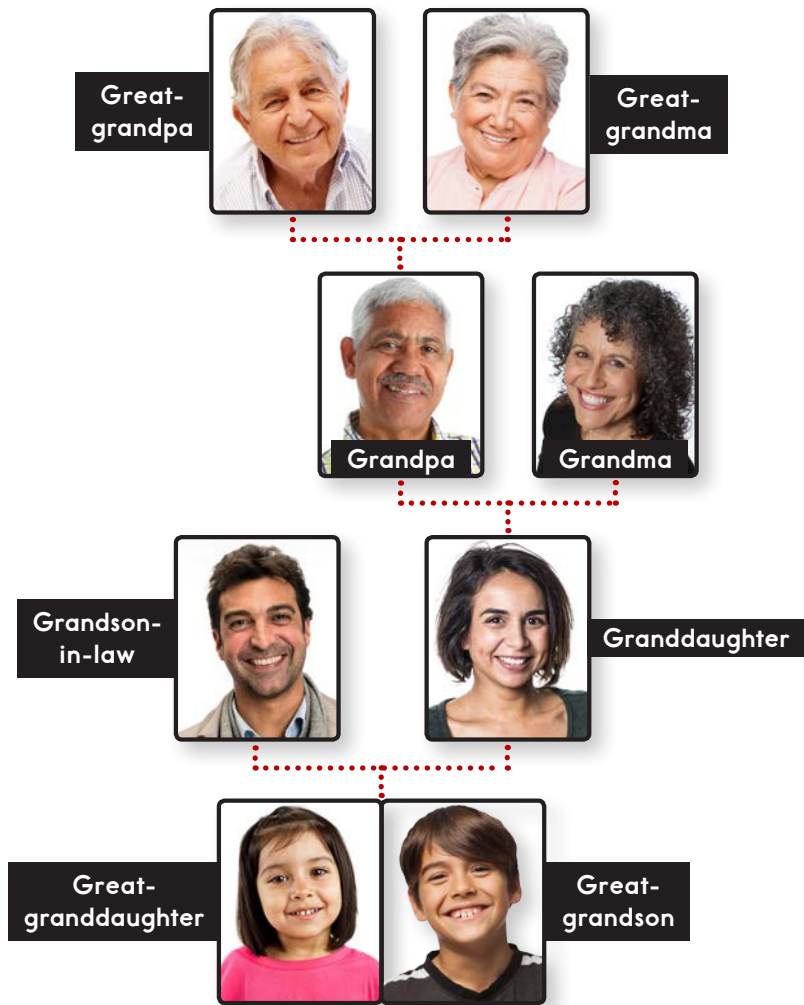
Mark is his parents' son, and Anna is their daughter.



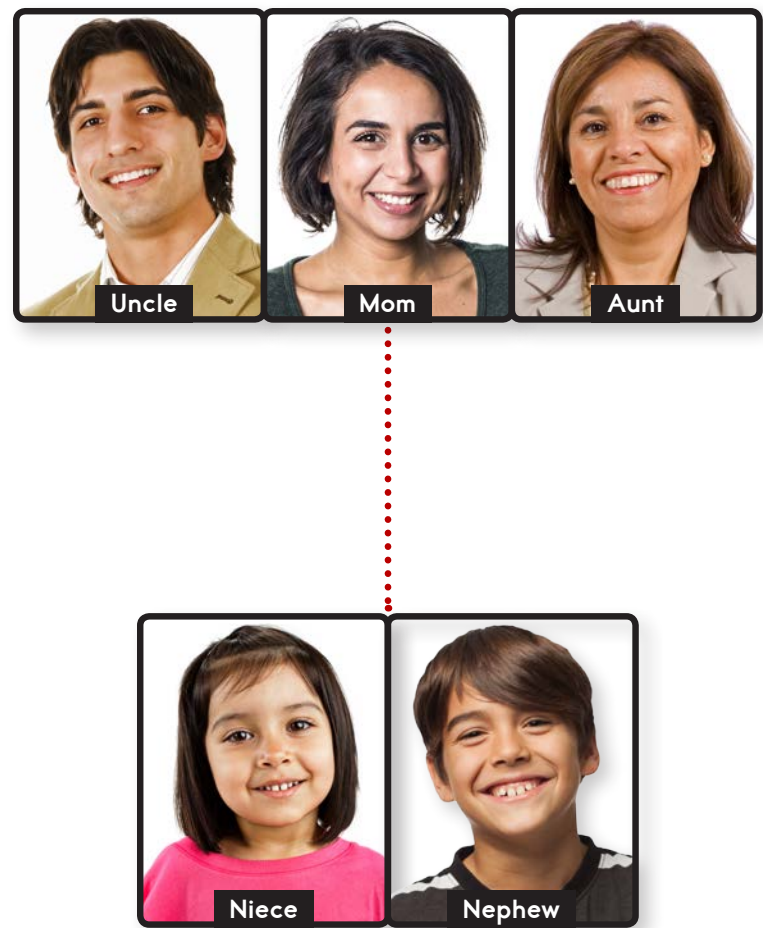
At the lake, Mark will also see his mom's parents. They are his grandparents. He calls them Grandma and Grandpa.



Mark's mom is their daughter, and his father is their **son-in-law**. Mark is their grandson, and Anna is their granddaughter.



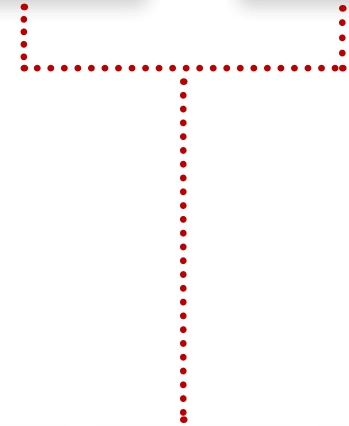
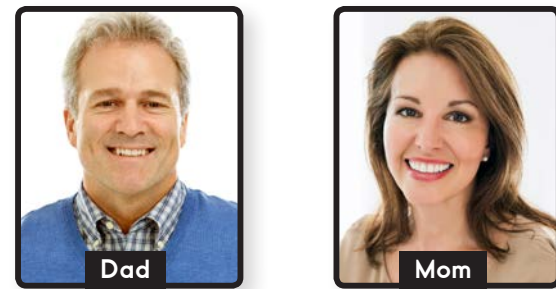
Mark's grandparents had parents, too. They are his great-grandparents. Mark only met one of them. The others passed away before he was born.



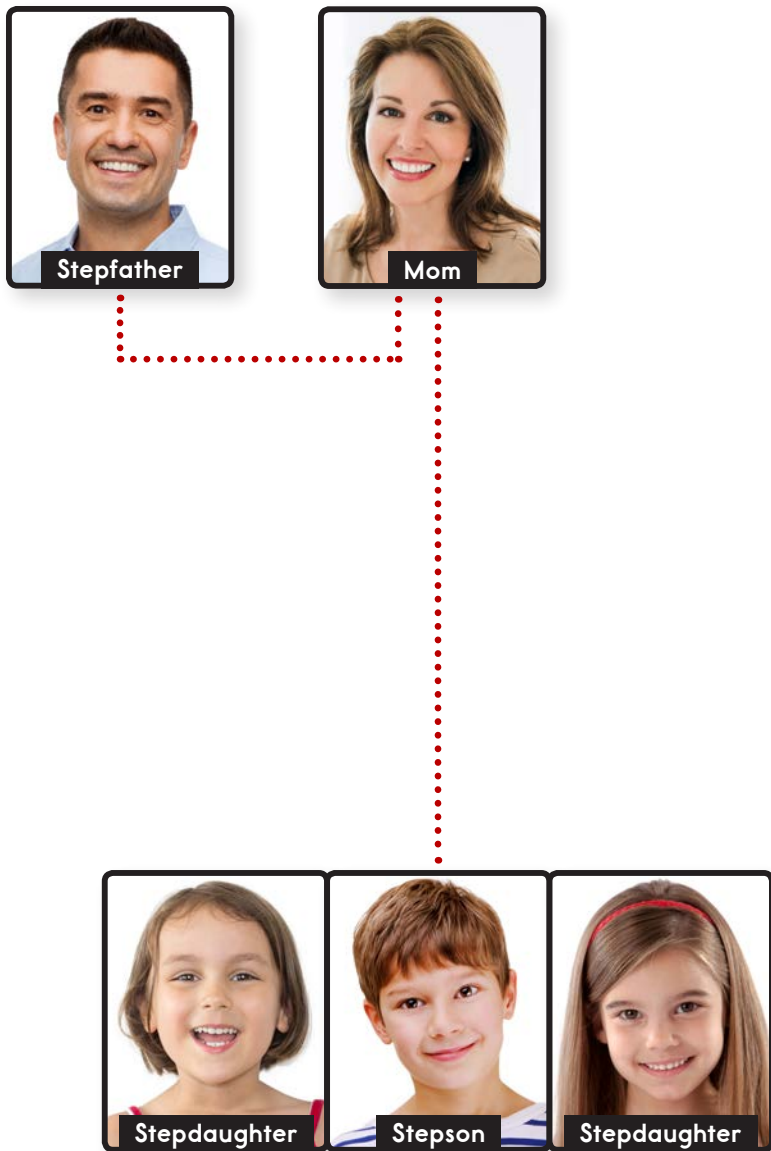
Mark's mom has two **siblings** who will be there. Her brother is Mark's uncle. Her sister is Mark's aunt. That makes Mark their nephew and Anna their niece.



Mark's other uncle will be there, too. He is Mark's dad's brother. He married a few years ago, and his wife is Mark's aunt.

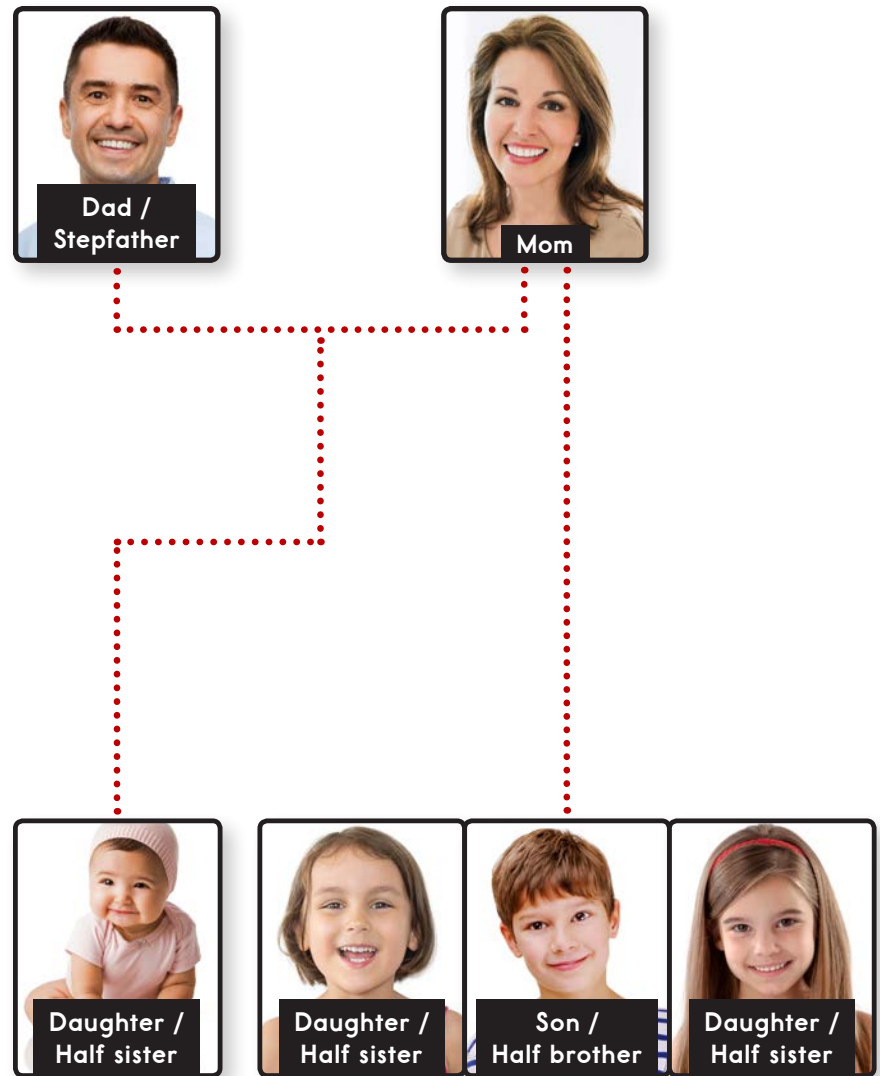


Mark's aunt has been married more than once. She is also a mom. She has three kids from her first marriage.



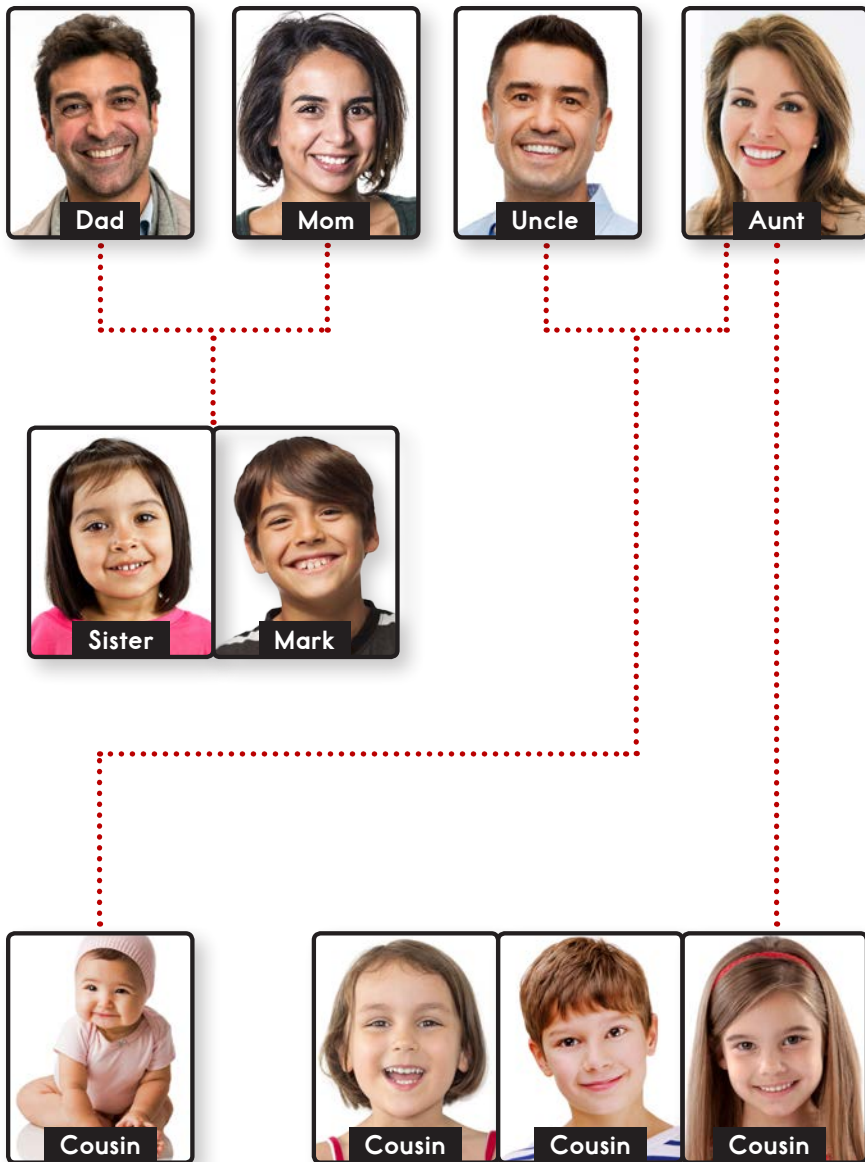
They are her new husband's **stepchildren**.

He is their **stepfather**.



He and his new wife had a baby this year.

She is a **half sister** to the other children.

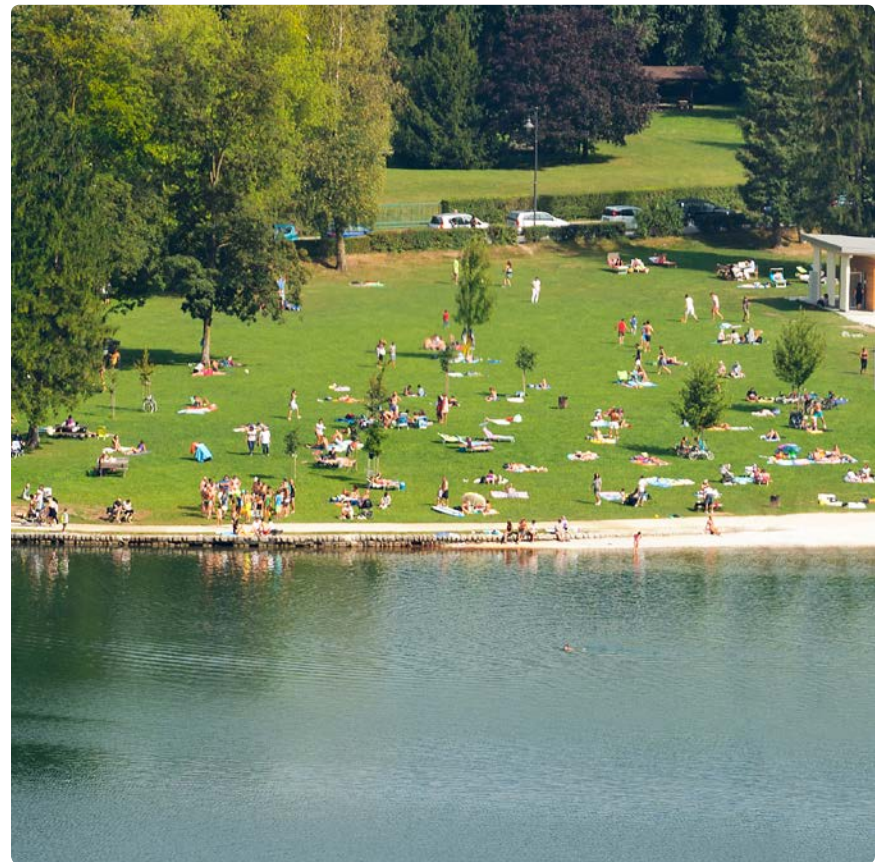


All of Mark's aunts' and uncles' children are his cousins.
Anna and Mark are their cousins, too.

Mark and his family had a great time at the lake.

They can't wait to go back next year.

What types of things do you do with your family?





Different Kinds of Families

Families can range from very big to very small. Some people live in the same house with their parents and grandparents, or with their aunts, uncles, and cousins. Some children live with only one parent, or with no parents at all. Children can live with their grandparents or other relatives, too. Other families don't have any children. What kinds of families do you know?

Glossary

half sister
(n.)

a sister who is related through only one parent instead of two (p. 12)

members (n.)

those who belong to a group (p. 3)

siblings (n.)

brothers or sisters (p. 8)

son-in-law
(n.)

a man who is married to one's daughter or son (p. 6)

stepchildren
(n.)

children of one's husband or wife from a previous marriage or relationship (p. 11)

stepfather
(n.)

a man who has married a child's mother but who is not the child's birth father (p. 11)