



Focus Groups

Constructing and Using Them

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Focus Groups

- What Are They?**
- What Can You Use Them For?**
- How to Create Them**
- Saving and Recalling Them**



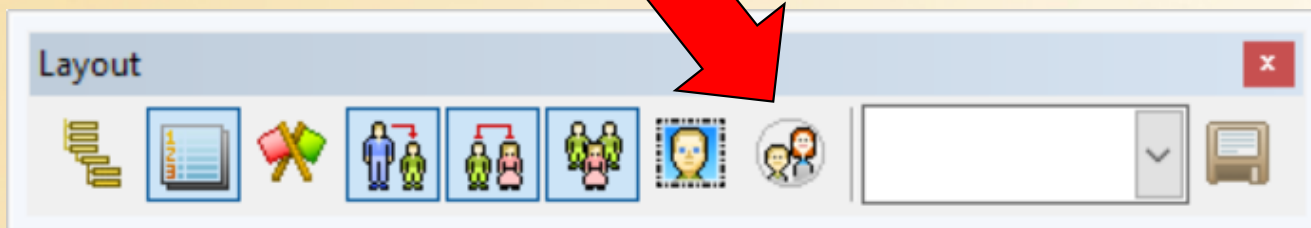
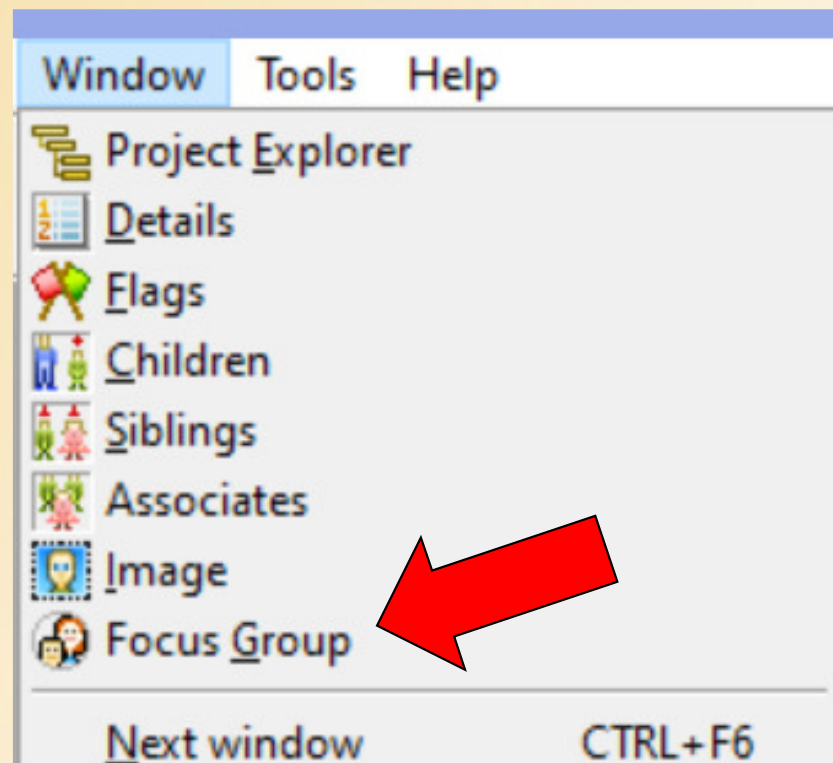
Focus Groups – What Are They?

A Separate Window, Opened from:

□ **Windows Menu:**

or

□ **Layout Toolbar:**





Focus Groups – What Are They?

A Group of People:

The screenshot shows a software window titled "Focus groups". At the top, it displays "Current Group: (new)" and a "Sort by: Surname" dropdown menu. The main area is a list of names, each preceded by an asterisk and followed by a date range in parentheses. The names are: Andersdotter, Beata (13123) (1701-1766); Christersdotter, Anna (13129) (1730-); Christersdotter, Beata (15718) (1737-1737); Christersdotter, Lisa (13126) (1726-); Christersdotter, Margeta (13124) (1722-); Christersdotter, Margreta (13127) (1727-); Christersdotter, Sara (13130) (1733-); Christersson, Anders (13128) (1729-); Christersson, Hans (15720) (1742-1742); Christersson, Henrik (13114) (1734-1805); Christersson, Henrik (13125) (1724-); Christersson, Matts (15717) (1736-); Christersson, Johan (15719) (1740-1740); and Henriksson, Christer (13122) (1700-1765). The last name is highlighted in blue. To the right of the list, there are statistics: "Names in group: 14" and "Selected names: 1". Below these are buttons for "Add Individual..." and "Add Others". A section with checkboxes includes "Ancestors" (unchecked), "Descendants" (checked), "Spouses" (checked), and "Name variations" (unchecked). There are also spinners for "Generations" (set to 8) and "Generations" (set to 1). At the bottom of this section are buttons for "Select All", "Remove Selected", and "Remove All". The main window has a footer with buttons for "Close", "Load...", "Save...", and "Help".



Focus Groups – What Are They?

A Group of People That Have Something in Common:

- Descendants of a Person**
- Siblings of Person and Their Spouses**
- Same Occupation**
- Lived in a Specific Place**
- People You Want to Review**
- People You Want to Include in an Export**



What Can You Use Them For?

- Selecting People for Reports**
- Selecting People for Gedcom Export**
- Setting Flags**
- A “Checklist” for Data Review**
- Copying People – Same or Different Data Set**
- Copying People to New Data Set or Project**



What Can You Use Them For?


Selecting People for Reports:

Report Definition Screen - Individual Narrative

Configuration name: Individual Narrative

Add Delete Reset Defaults

Subject(s) of the report : Use the Current Focus Person

One person
13122  Christer Henriksson (13122) b. 23 Feb 1700, d. 20 Apr 1765

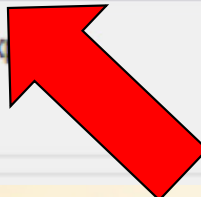
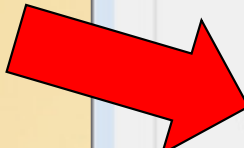
Filtered group

Add Edit Delete

Focus Group Current group

Selected people on the Project Ex

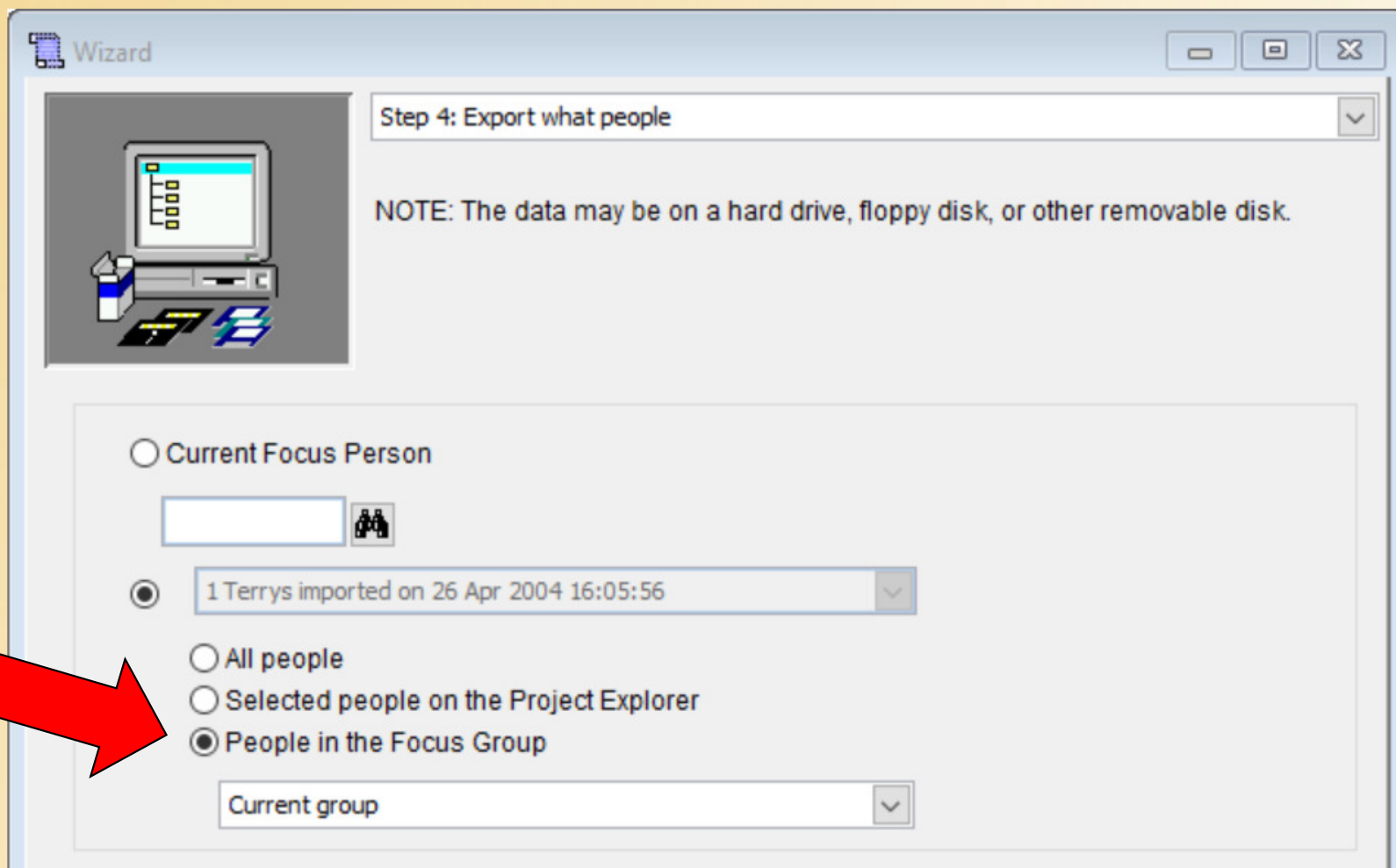
All people in the project





What Can You Use Them For?

Selecting People for Gedcom Export:





What Can You Use Them For?

Setting Flags – Using List of People Report:

Report Definition Screen - List of People

Configuration name: List of People

Add

Subject(s) of the report: Use

One person
0

Filtered group: user filter 201

Add

Focus Group: Current group

Selected people on the Project Explorer
All people in the project

Report Options

General | Page Options | Fonts | Output Columns | Secondary Output | P

Create New Project: D:\Application Data\TMG\Data\Projects\TMGU test_...f

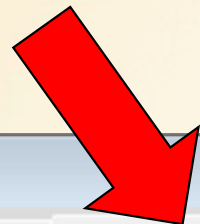
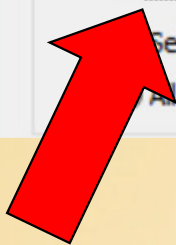
Create New Dataset: report temp

Lock Timelines

Unlock Timelines

Change Flag: LIVING N

Suppress output to screen, file, and printer

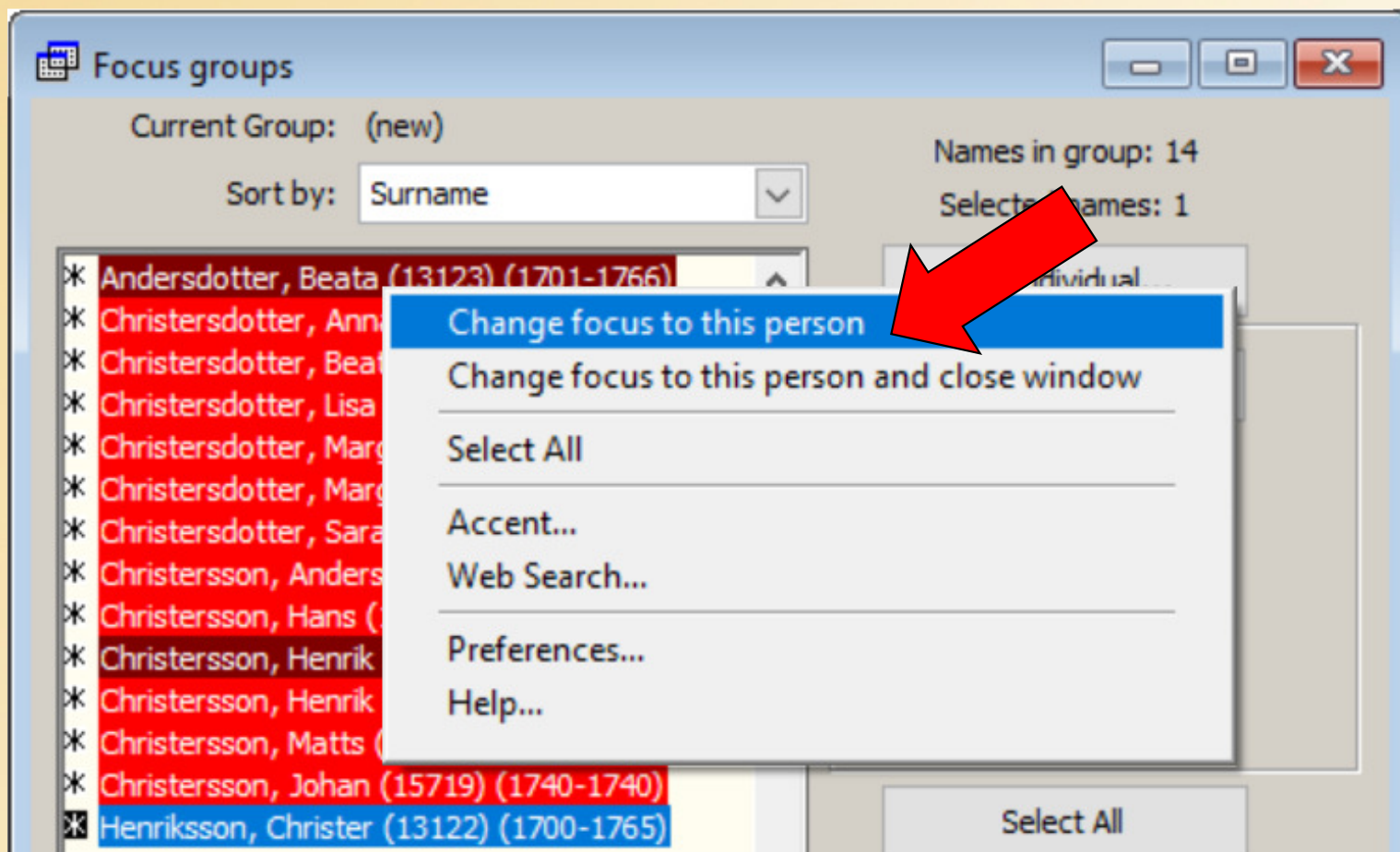




What Can You Use Them For?

A “Checklist” for Data Review – Use Directly:

- **Double-Click or Select and Right-Click**





What Can You Use Them For?

A “Checklist” for Data Review – Use Project Explorer:

1. Filter PE for Focus Group

Project Explorer - FILTERED (1...)

Sort: Surname, Given name, Birth date

Surname	Given name	Birth date
* Andersdotter	Beata	(13123) (1701-1766)
* Christersdotter	Anna	(13129) (1730-
* Christersdotter	Beata	(15718) (1737-
* Christersdotter	Lisa	(13126) (1726-)
* Christersdotter	Margeta	(13124) (172
* Christersdotter	Margreta	(13127) (17
* Christersdotter	Sara	(13130) (1733-
* Christersson	Anders	(13128) (1729-
* Christersson	Hans	(15720) (1742-174
* Christersson	Henrik	(13125) (1724-)
* Christersson	Henrik	(13114) (1734-1805)
* Christersson	Matts	(15717) (1736-)
* Christersson	Johan	(15719) (1740-1740)
* Henriksson	Christer	(13122) (1700-1765)

Filter the Project Explorer

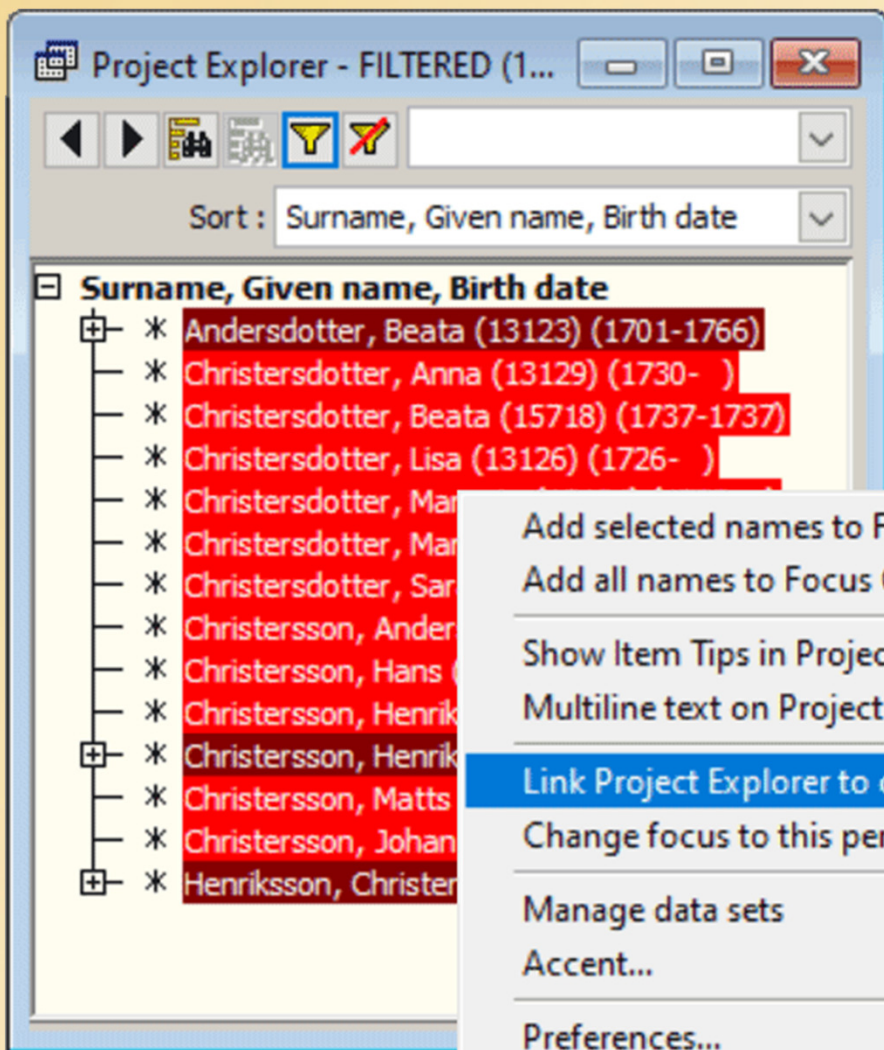
Filter | Query by Example

(* Field	Subfield	Operator	Value)	Connect
	Focus Group		Contains t			END



What Can You Use Them For?

A “Checklist” for Data Review – Use Project Explorer:



2. Link PE to Other Windows



What Can You Use Them For?

Copying People – In Same or Different Data Set

- Use Add > Copy Person(s) Menu Command:

Copy Person

This procedure will make a COMPLETE COPY of the specified person(s).

Copy Who | **Data Types to Include**

Within a Data Set

Copy one person

Person to copy : 1:1 George GOBLE (1:1)

ID of new person : 2

Between Data Sets

Copy the selected people in the Project Explorer

To data set : 1 : test

Copy the people in the current Focus Group

To data set : 2 : New Data Set

OK Cancel Help



What Can You Use Them For?

Copying People to New Project or Data Set

- Use List of People Report:

Report Definition Screen - List of People

Configuration name: List of People

Add

Subject(s) of the report : Use

One person
0

Filtered group: user filter 201
Add

Focus Group: Current group

Selected people on the Project Explorer
All people in the project

Report Options

General | Page Options | Fonts | Output Columns | Secondary Output

Create New Project

Create New Dataset

Lock Timelines

Unlock Timelines

Change Flag

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Suppress output to screen, file, and printer

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report temp



How to Create a Focus Group

- ❑ **Add People One at a Time**
- ❑ **Using Project Explorer & Filters**
- ❑ **Using Add Others Feature**



How to Create a Focus Group

First, Empty Focus Group If Not Already Empty:

The screenshot shows the 'Focus groups' window with the following details:

- Current Group: (new)
- Sort by: Surname
- Names in group: 14
- Selected names: 1
- Buttons: Add Individual..., Add Others, Select All, Remove Selected, Remove All (highlighted with a red arrow), Close, Load..., Save..., Help
- Options: Ancestors (8 Generations), Descendants (1 Generation), Spouses, Name variations

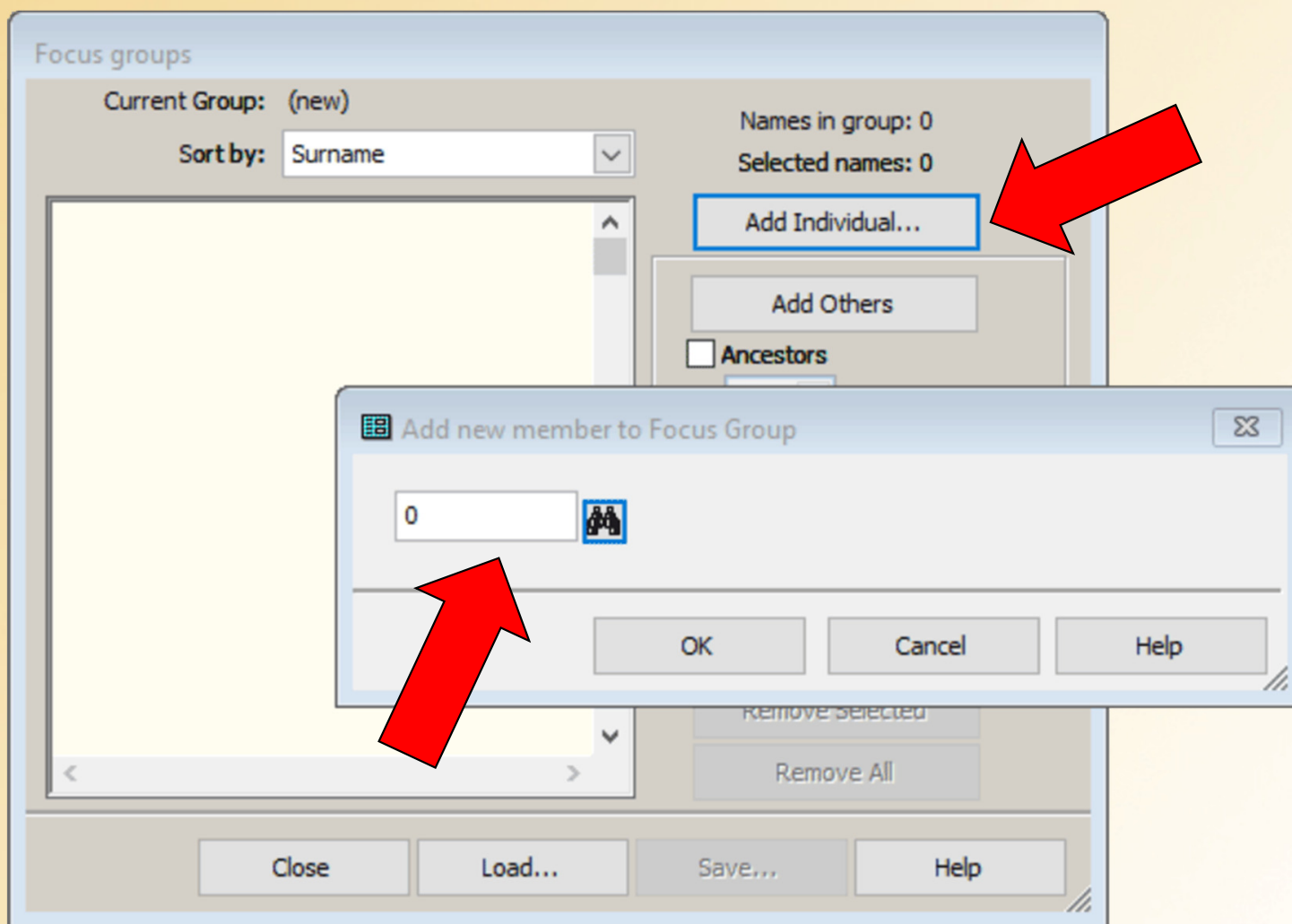
The list of names in the group is as follows:

- * Andersdotter, Beata (13123) (1701-1766)
- * Christersdotter, Anna (13129) (1730-)
- * Christersdotter, Beata (15718) (1737-1737)
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How to Create a Focus Group

Adding People One at a Time – From FG Window:





How to Create a Focus Group

Adding People One at a Time – Using Right-Click from Other Windows:

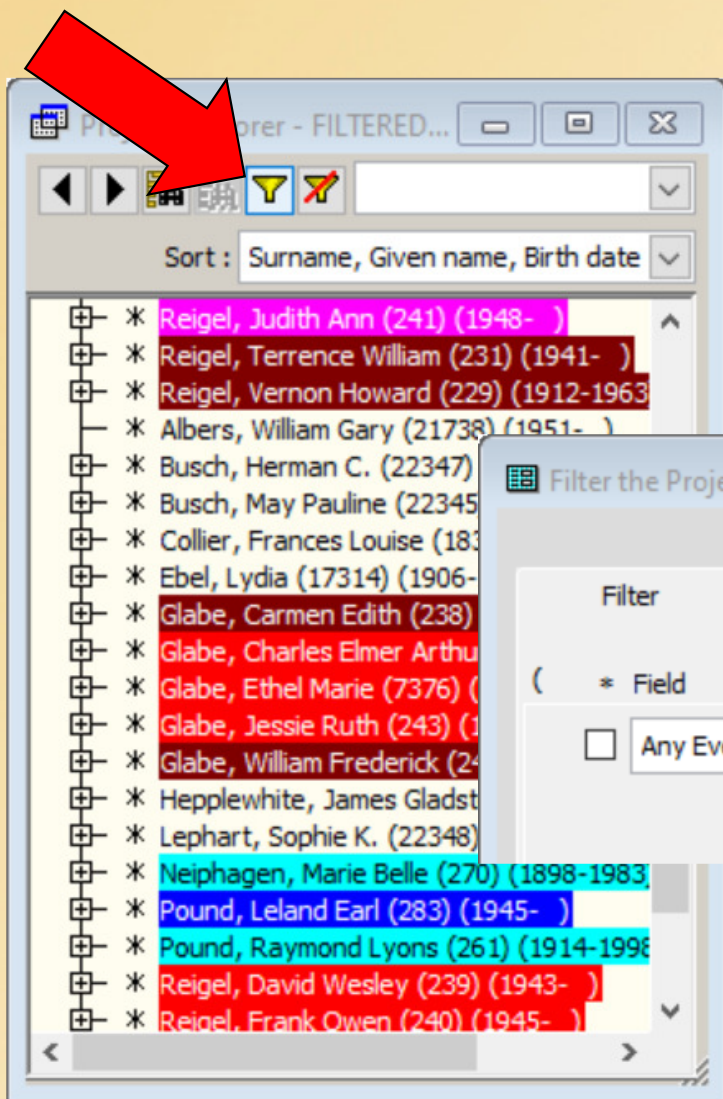
	Birth	Death	Children: 12	Sex	Spouse
✓	1722		Margeta Chistersdotter (1...	F	
✓	1724		Henrik Christersson (13125)	M	
✓	1726		Lisa Chistersdotter (13126)	F	
✓	1727		Margreta Chistersdotter (...)	F	
✓	1729		Anders Christersson (13128)	M	
✓	1730		Anna Chistersdotter (131...	F	
✓	1733		Sara Chistersdotter (13130)	F	
✓	1734	1805	Henrik Christersson (13114)	M	Margeta Thomasdotter
✓	1736		Matts Christersson (15...		
✓	1737	1737	Beata Chistersdotter (...)		
✓	1740	1740	Johan Christersson (15...		
✓	1742	1742	Hans Christersson (157...		

- Change focus to this person
- Change focus to spouse
- Add this person to the Focus Group**
- Add spouse to the Focus Group
- ✓ Show item tips on Children list
- Accent...
- Preferences...

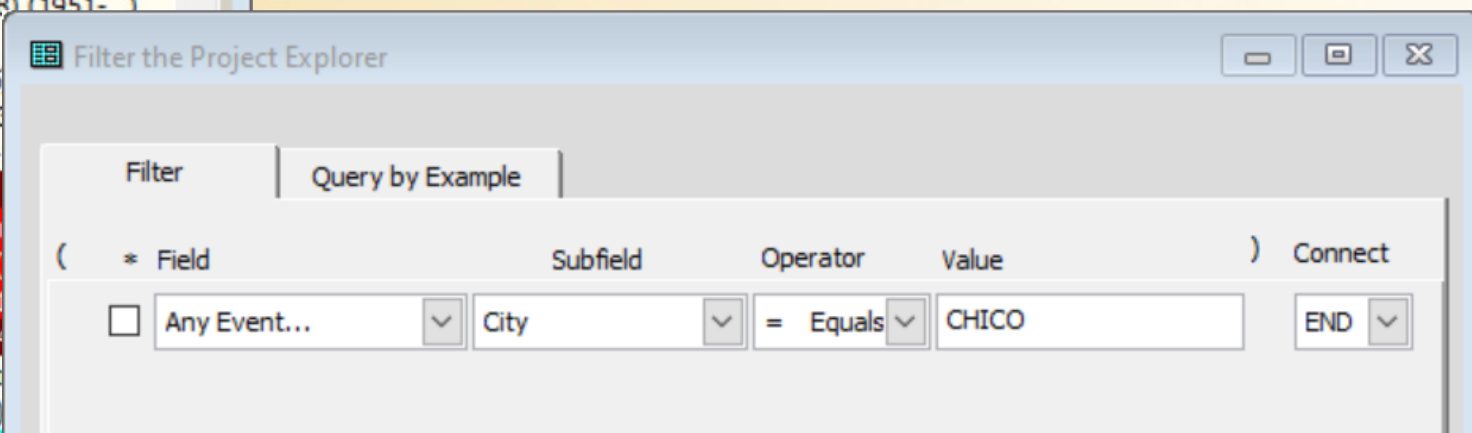


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Using Project Explorer & Filters:



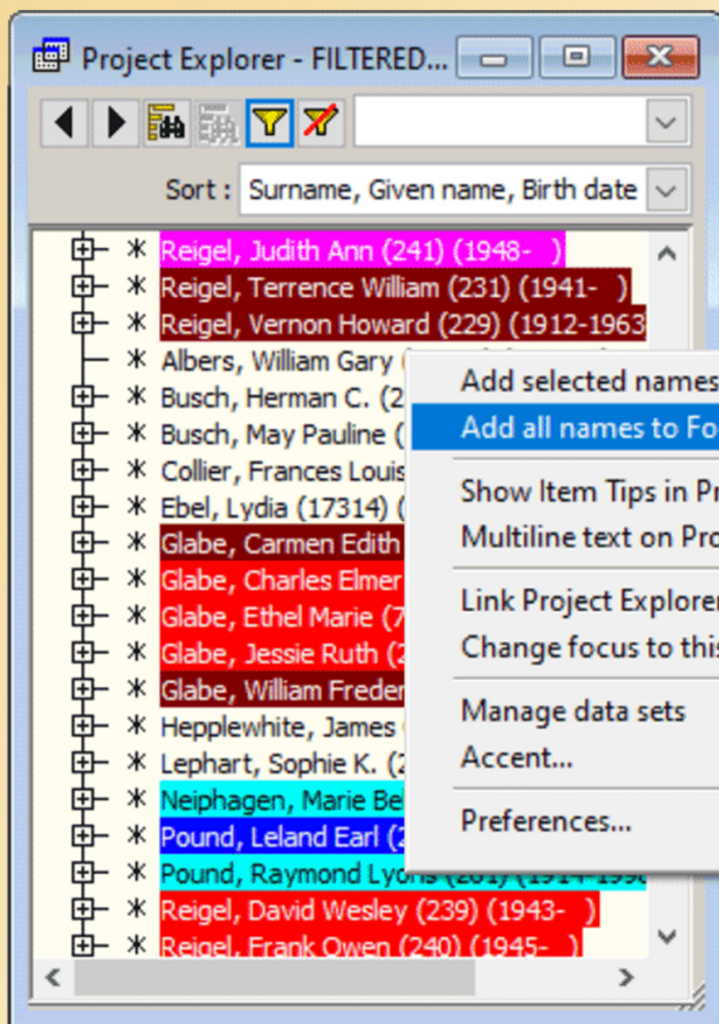
1. Filter PE for Any Criteria





How to Create a Focus Group

Using Project Explorer & Filters:



2. Right-Click to Add People to FG



How to Create a Focus Group

Using the Project Explorer and Filters

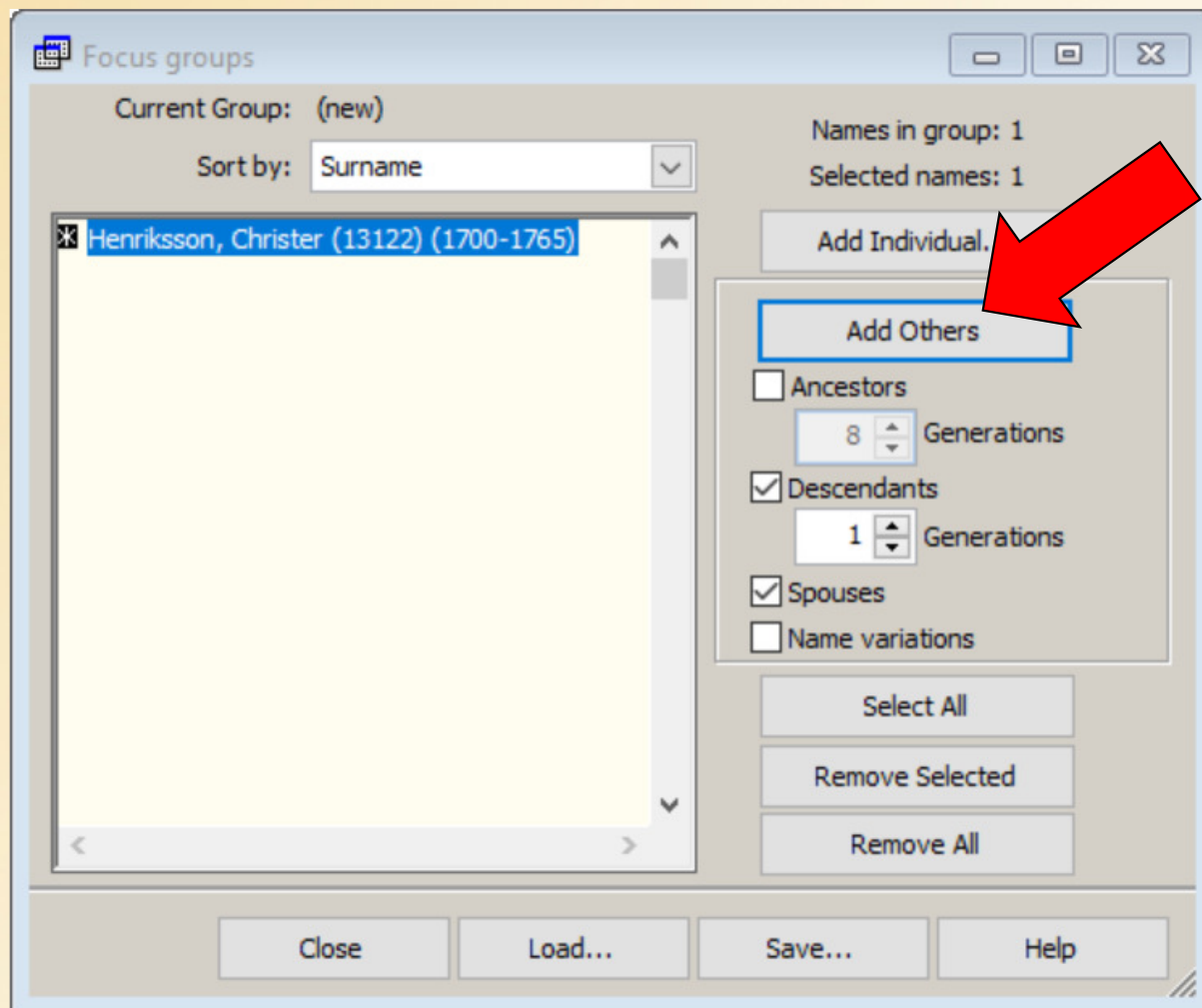




How to Create a Focus Group

Using “Add Others” Feature:

- **Add Ancestors**
Selected No. of
Generations
- **Add Descendants**
Selected No. of
Generations
- **Add Spouses**

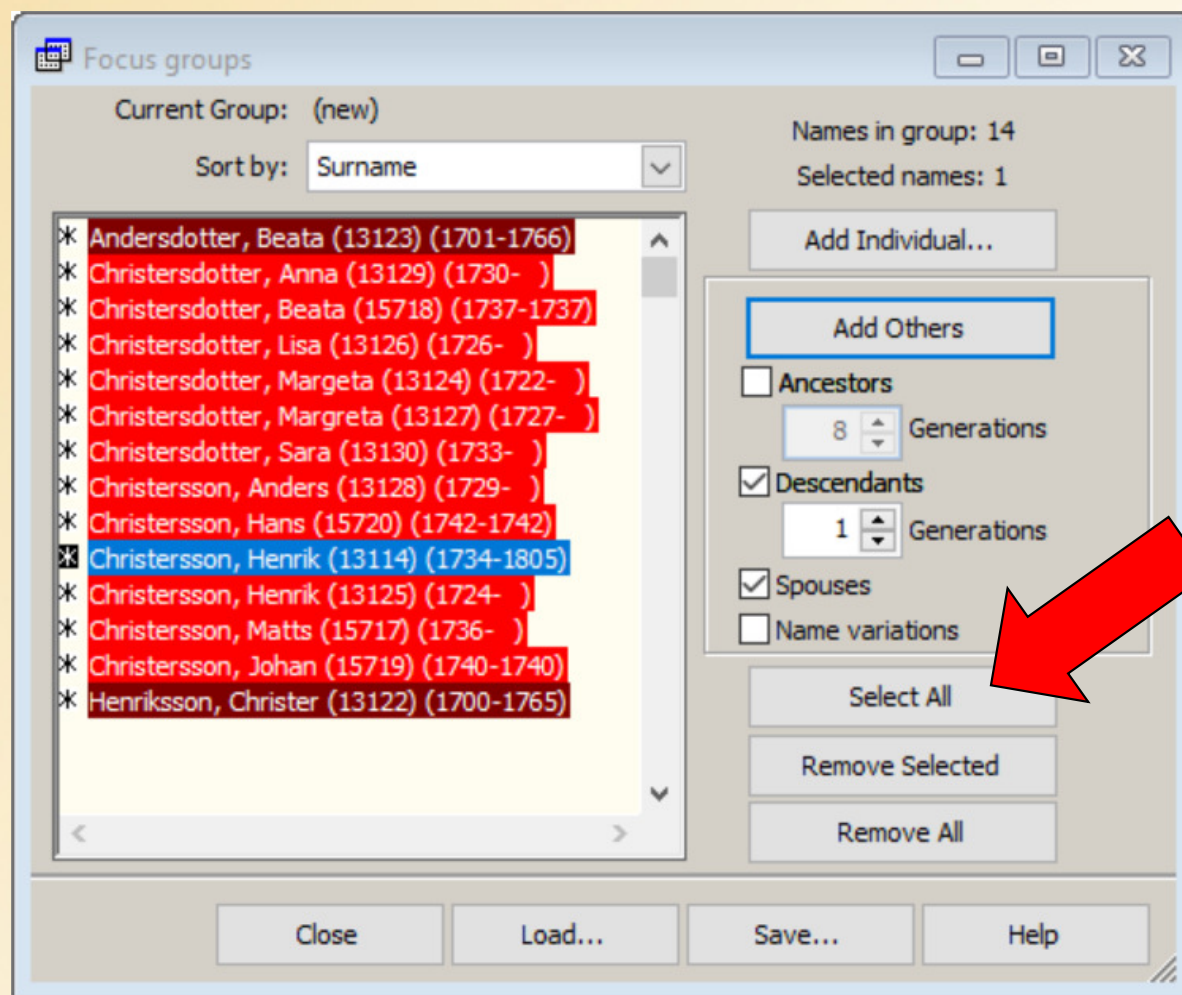




How to Create a Focus Group

Using “Add Others” Feature:

- Adds Relatives of Selected People Only
- To Select All Use “Select All” Button





How to Create a Focus Group

- Using the “Add Others” Feature
- Setting Flag with Focus Group





Saving and Recalling a Focus Group

Saving a Focus Group:

The screenshot shows a software interface with two overlapping windows. The background window is titled "Focus groups" and contains the following elements:

- Current Group: (new)
- Sort by: Surname (dropdown menu)
- Names in group: 14
- Selected names: 1
- A list of names, with several entries highlighted in red: Andersdotter, Christersdotter, Christersdotter, Christersdotter, Christersdotter, Christersdotter, Christersdotter, Christersson, A, Christersson, H, Christersson, H, Christersson, H, Christersson, M, Christersson, J, and Henriksson, Ch.
- Buttons at the bottom: Close, Load..., Save... (highlighted with a red arrow), and Help.

The foreground window is titled "Save group" and contains the following elements:

- New group name: (text input field)
- Existing group: Mims family (29) (dropdown menu)
- Buttons: Add, Overwrite, Cancel, and Help.



Saving and Recalling a Focus Group

Recalling a Focus Group:

The screenshot shows a software interface for managing focus groups. The main window, titled 'Focus groups', has a 'Current Group: (new)' label and a 'Sort by: Surname' dropdown. A list of focus groups is displayed, with the first group selected. A 'Load group' dialog box is open in the foreground, showing a 'Sort groups by: Name' dropdown and a table of groups. The 'Load...' button in the main window is highlighted with a red arrow.

Group name	Members
Mims family	29
Rodefild Book Group	178
RUG Demo - MWC Ancestors	4
RUG Demo - MWC FGS Ancestors	6

Buttons in the 'Focus groups' window: Close, Load..., Save..., Help, Remove All.

Buttons in the 'Load group' dialog: Select, Cancel, Help, Delete, Rename.