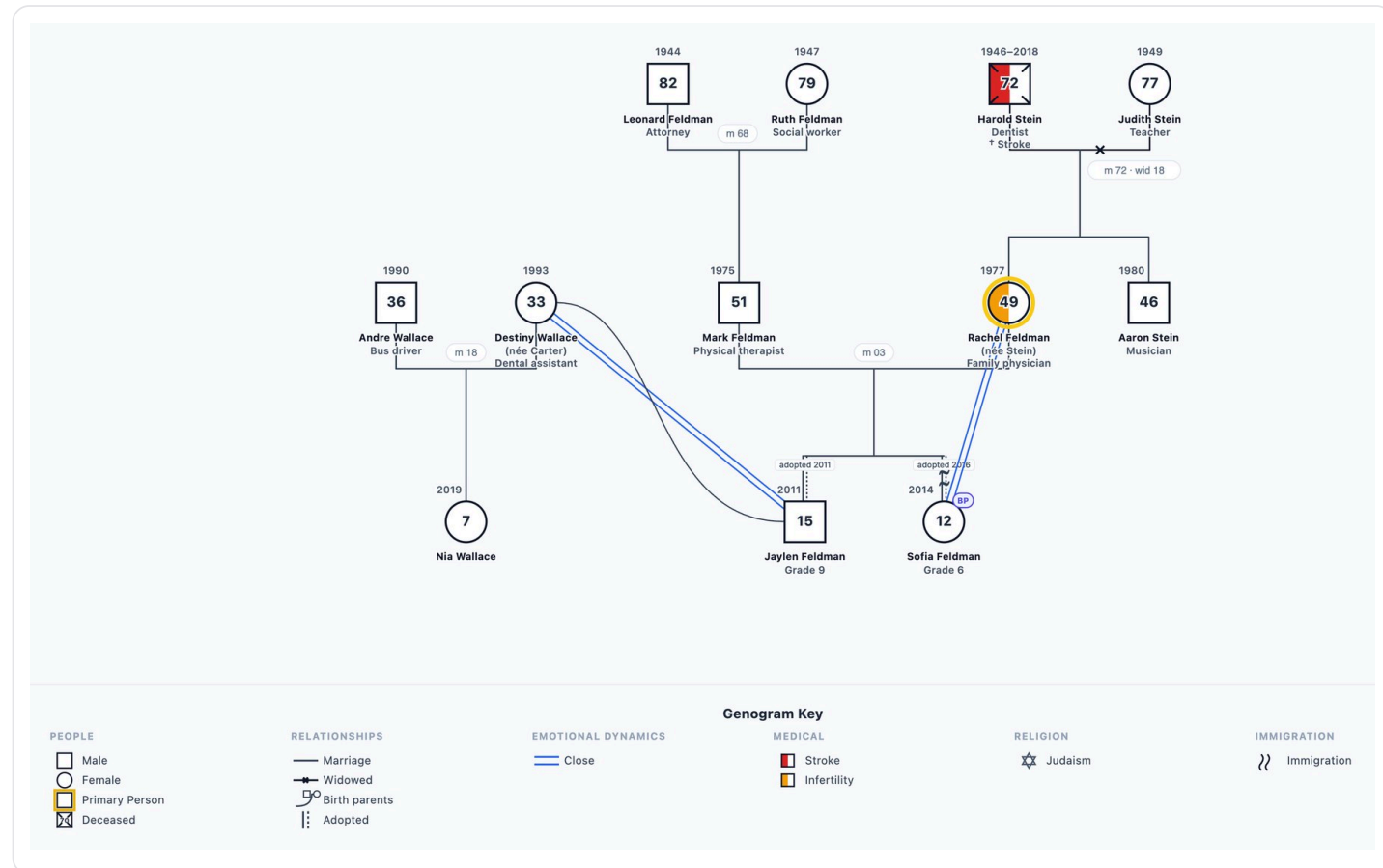


Adoption and Foster Care Genogram Template: filled-in example

Open Adoption with Birth Family Contact · a fictional family drawn in GenogramAI · blank version on page 2



The completed example is a fictional Jewish-American family, Rachel and Mark Feldman, who adopted two children: Jaylen (placed at birth in 2011 through an open adoption, whose birth mother Destiny and her family stay in contact) and Sofia (adopted from Colombia in 2016, birth parents unknown). It shows adoption years, birth-parent lines and both sets of adoptive grandparents.

PERSON SYMBOLS

- Male (Square)** A square represents a male family member.
- Female (Circle)** A circle represents a female family member.
- Index person (highlighted outline)** The person at the centre of the assessment is drawn with a highlighted outline.
- Deceased (X)** An X through the symbol marks a person who has died; birth and death years are written above it.
- Age inside the symbol** The current age (or age at death) is written inside each symbol, with years above it.

ADOPTION

- Adopted child** A dashed child line marks adoption, labelled with the adoption year.
- Birth parent** A curved line links a birth parent to a child who was adopted; birth parents who are unknown can be folded into a small BP badge.
- Immigration marker** A double wavy mark on a person's line records immigration; a single wavy mark records living across two cultures.

COUPLES

- Marriage** A solid line between partners; the marriage year is written on the line (m 90 = married 1990).
- Widowed** A small x on the couple line marks the end of a marriage through death (wid 15).

EMOTIONAL RELATIONSHIPS

- Close** Two parallel blue lines mark an emotionally close relationship.

MEDICAL

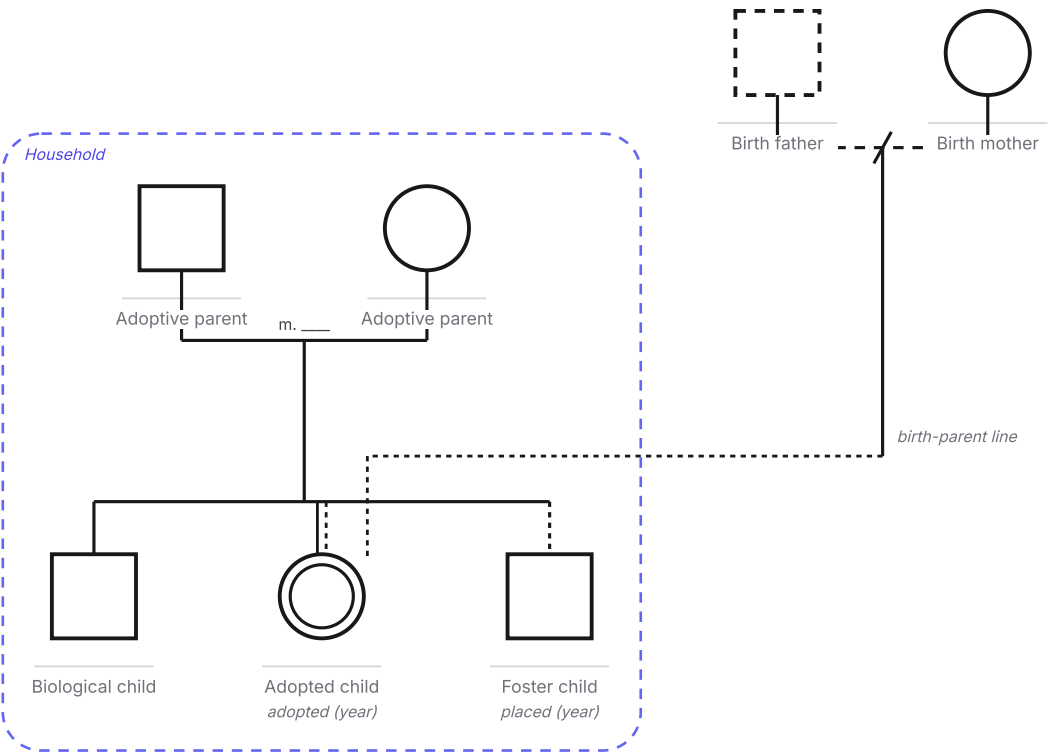
- Medical shading** The left half of a symbol is shaded for a physical or mental illness and the bottom half for alcohol or drug use; each condition has its own colour, listed in the key. Hatching means suspected, a partial fill means in recovery.

Adoption and Foster Care Genogram Template

Adoptive, birth and foster family on one page

Child / family: _____

Date: _____



Symbol key



Male



Female



Index person (double outline)



Dashed symbol = not yet known, or donor



Biological child (solid line)



Adopted (solid + dashed line)



Foster or kinship placement (dotted line)



Household (dashed line around who lives together)

Notes: adoption type (open, closed), contact with birth family, placement dates
