

Half brother or half sister; A half sibling (half brother or half sister) is a sibling with one shared biological or adoptive [parent](#). A half sibling that shares the same [mother](#) (but different [fathers](#)) is known as a uterine sibling, whereas one that shares the same father is known as an agnate sibling. In law, the term consanguine is used in place of agnate. Half siblings can have a wide variety of interpersonal relationships, from a bond as close as any full siblings, to total strangers.

Step sister or step brother: A stepsibling (stepbrother or stepsister) is a sibling with whom a person bears no blood or equivalent adoptive relation, and is related by the marriage or relationship of one parent of the person to one parent of the sibling.

The chart below helps explain cousin relationships. The closest relationship prevails - **note** that cousinship is not calculated between individuals when one is descended from the other, for example, two individuals are not called cousins if they are any degree of grandparent, parent and child. Also cousinship is not calculated between individuals of any degree of aunt/uncle and nephew/niece relationship to each other.

If one person's →							
is the other person's ↓	then they're ↘	Grandparent	Great grandparent	Great great grandparent	Great great great grandparent	Great great great great grandparent	Great great great great great grandparent
Grandparent	First cousins	First cousins once removed	First cousins twice removed	First cousins thrice removed	First cousins four times removed	First cousins five times removed	
Great grandparent	First cousins once removed	Second cousins	Second cousins once removed	Second cousins twice removed	Second cousins thrice removed	Second cousins four times removed	
Great great grandparent	First cousins twice removed	Second cousins once removed	Third cousins	Third cousins once removed	Third cousins twice removed	Third cousins thrice removed	
Great great great grandparent	First cousins thrice removed	Second cousins twice removed	Third cousins once removed	Fourth cousins	Fourth cousins once removed	Fourth cousins twice removed	
Great great great great grandparent	First cousins four times removed	Second cousins thrice removed	Third cousins twice removed	Fourth cousins once removed	Fifth cousins	Fifth cousins once removed	
Great great great great great grandparent	First cousins five times removed	Second cousins four times removed	Third cousins thrice removed	Fourth cousins twice removed	Fifth cousins once removed	Sixth cousins	