WHO YOU FAH?

Here in the Cayman Islands, we like to know who everybody is. “Who you fah?” is the Caymanian way of asking, “Who are your parents, grandparents, sisters, brothers, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews?” etc. Do you know who your family members are? Let’s make a family tree and find out.

Get your supplies. You’ll need some construction paper, scissors, crayons, markers or paint and a glue stick. Make sure you have green paper for the leaves!

On the construction paper draw/paint a large tree with many branches.

Cut out leaves from the green construction paper. Each leaf represents a person in your family so make sure you cut the leaves big enough so you can write names on them.

Write one family member’s name on each leaf. Make sure you put how they are related to you, for example “Grandma Joan Smith”. Remember your mom, dad, brothers, sisters, grandparents and great grandparents. FYI: ‘paternal’ grandparents means your grandparents on your dad’s side and ‘maternal’ grandparents are on your mom’s side.

Glue the leaves to the branches of the trees. Put the leaves for your great grandparents on the top, your grandparents on the second level followed by your parents on the third level and you and your brothers/sisters on the bottom level.