mother, father, children [smaller]
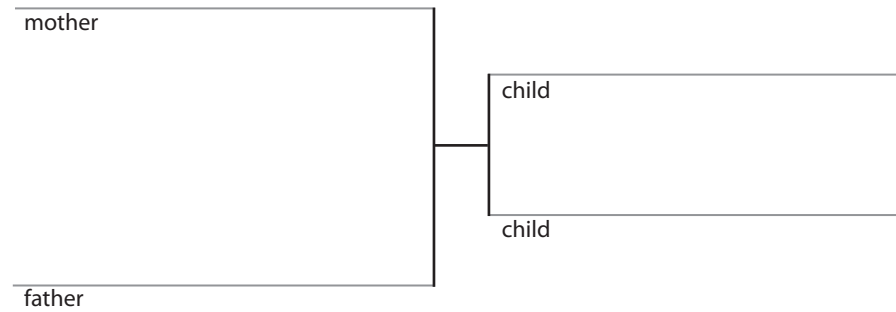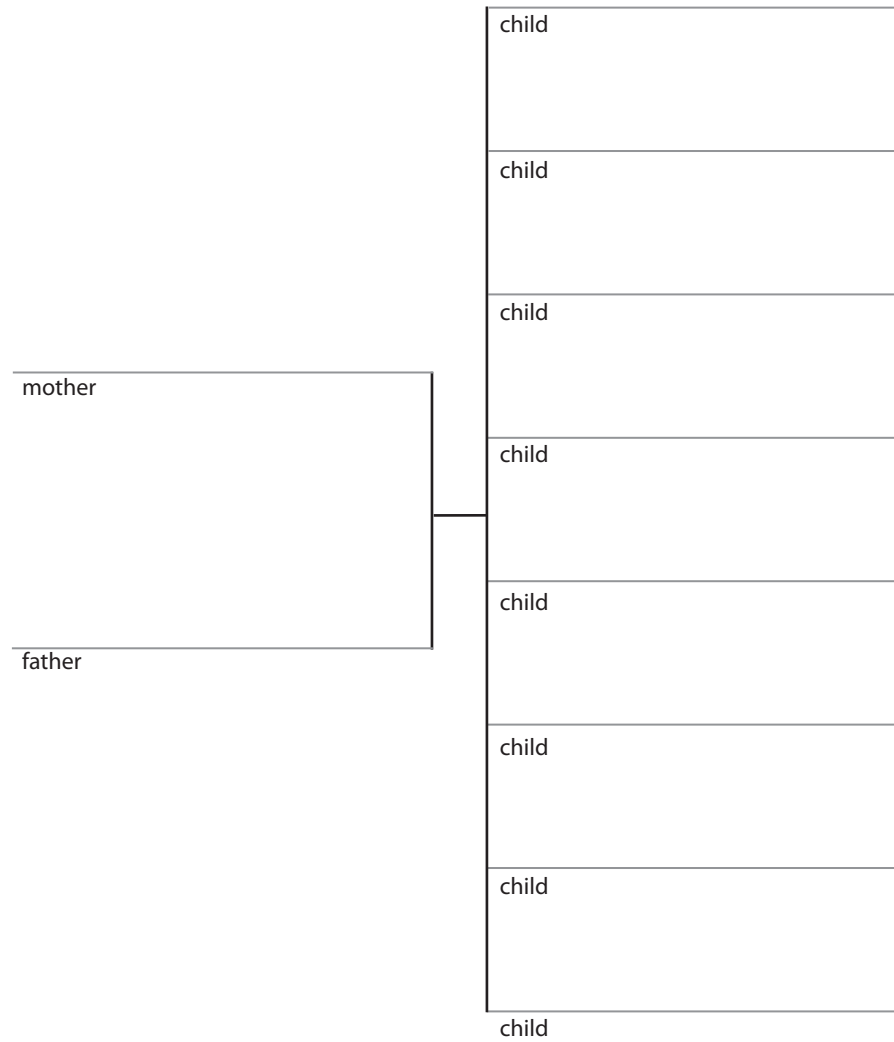
mother

child

child

father

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler, OR you can use chart 2 which has room for eight children.
If you have only one child in your family, leave the second child line above blank.

mother, father, children [smaller]

child

child

child

mother
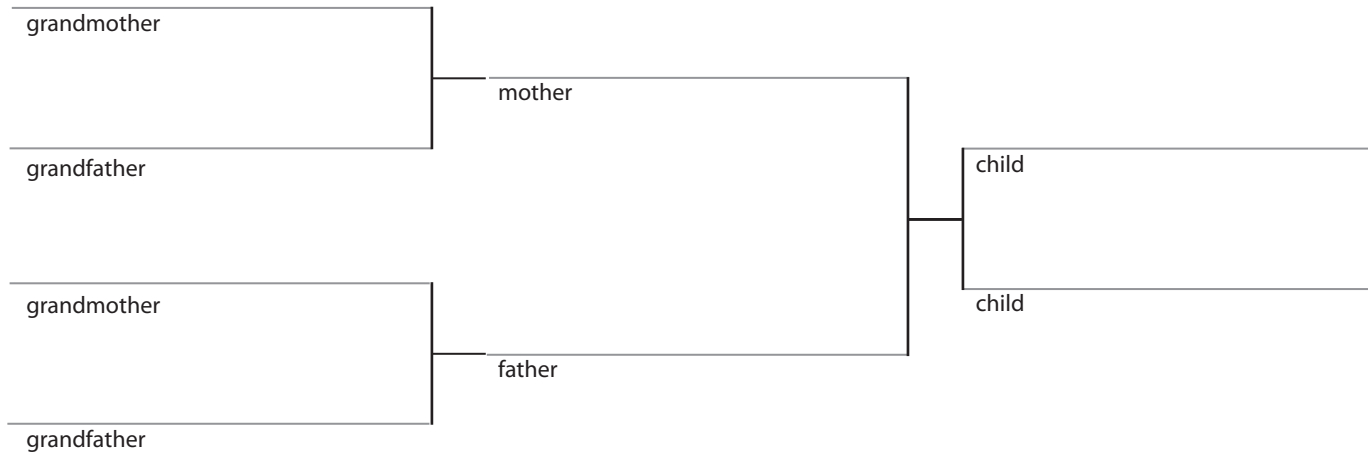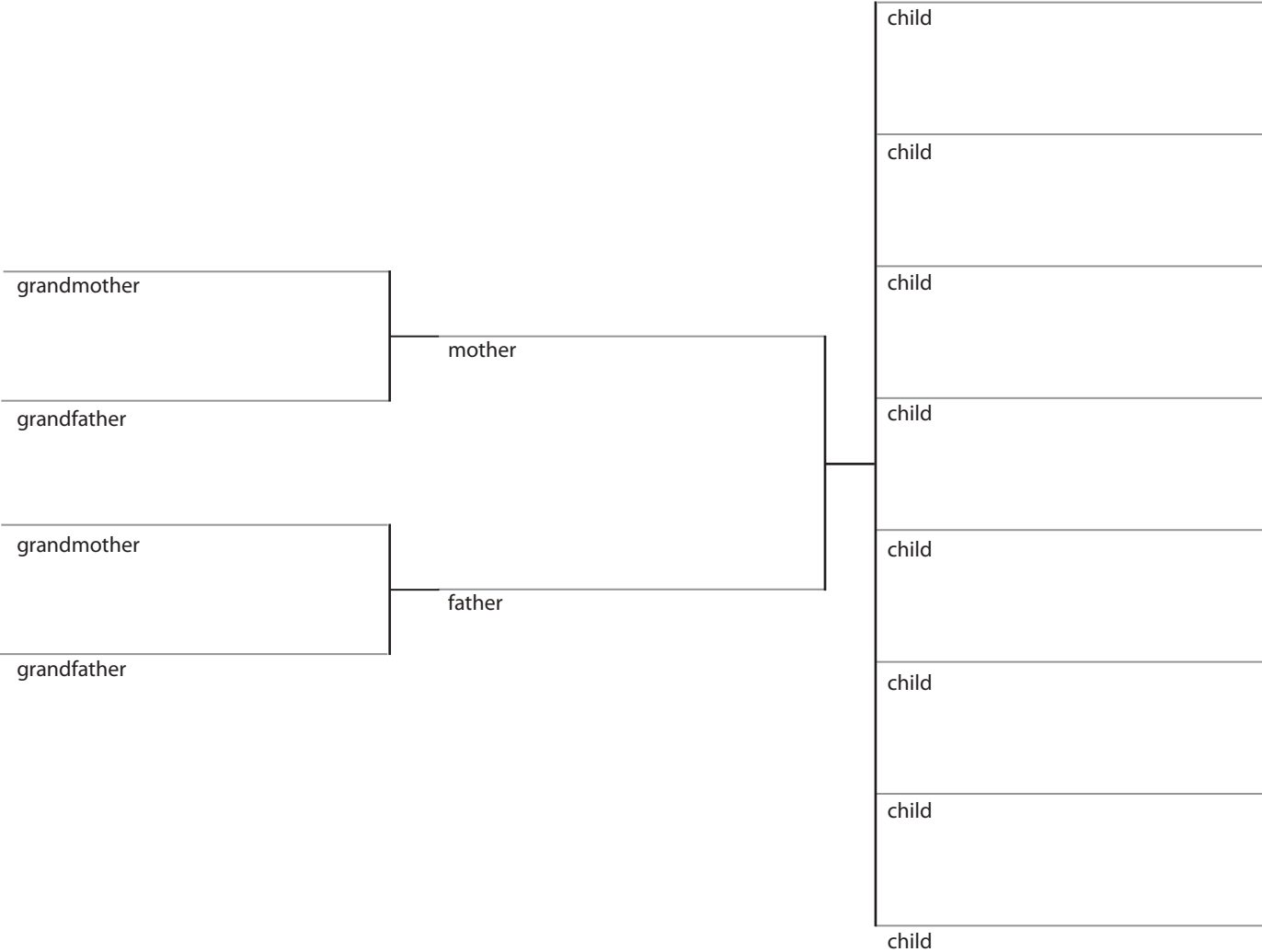
child

child

father

child

child

child

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler, OR you can use chart 2 which has room for eight children.
If you have only one child in your family, leave the second child line above blank.

mother, father, children, grandparents [smaller]

grandmother

mother

grandfather

child

grandmother

child

father

grandfather

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have less than 8 children to list, then fill them in from the top and leave the unused lines blank.

mother, father, children, grandparents [larger]

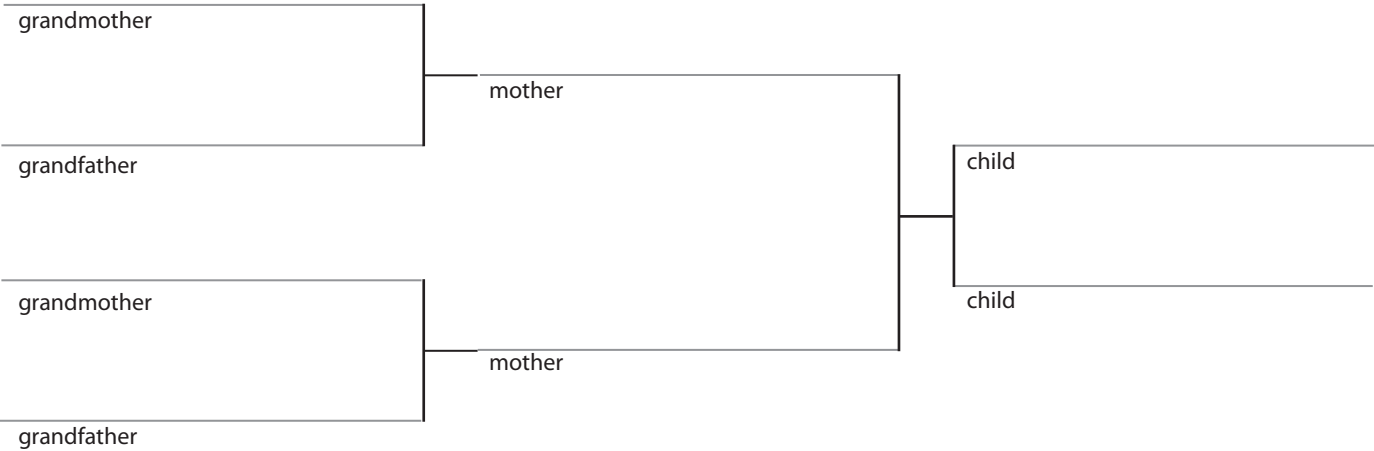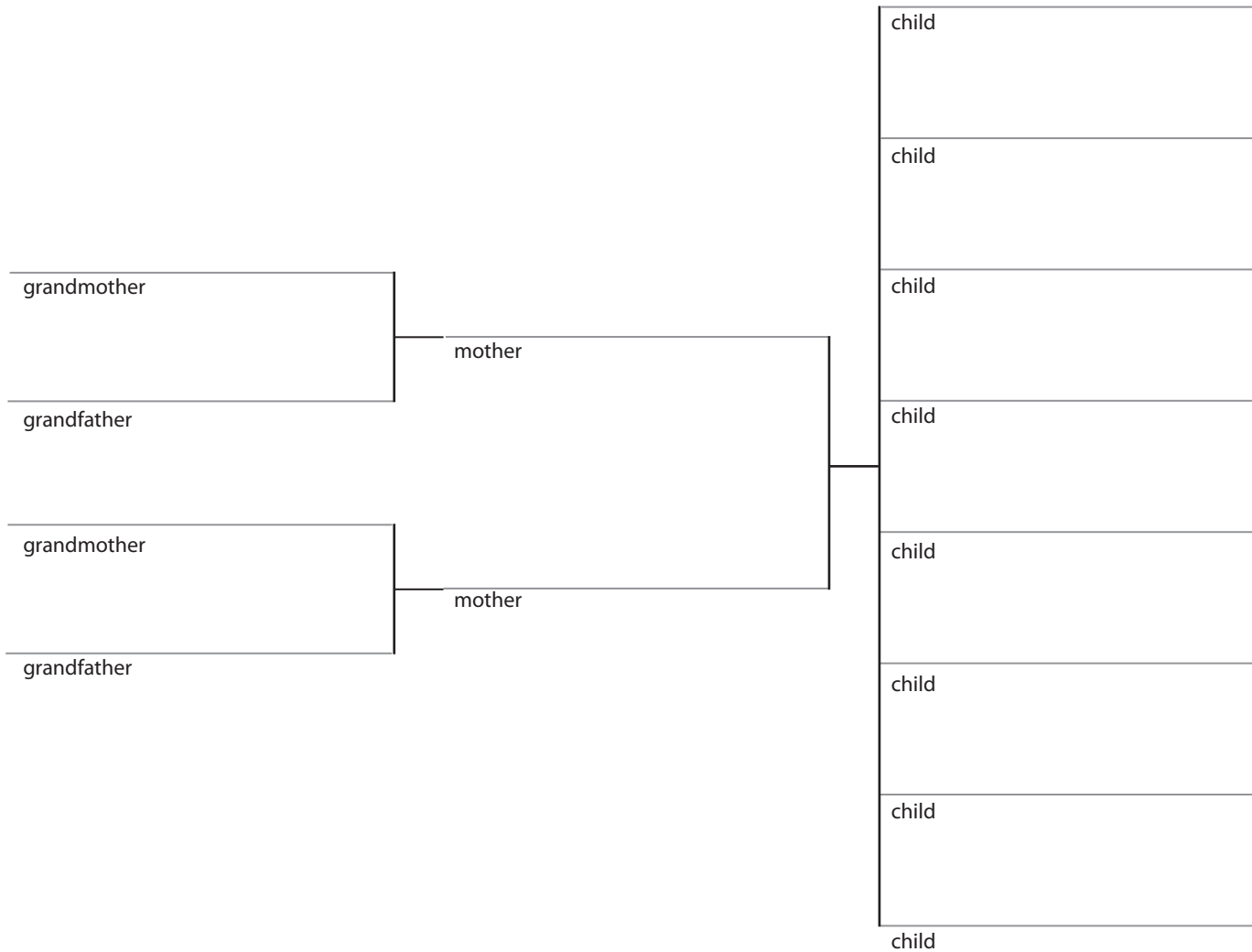|	child
grandmother	child
	child
mother	child
grandfather	child
grandmother	child
father	child
grandfather	child
	child

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have less than 8 children to list, then fill them in from the top and leave the unused lines blank.

mother, mother, children, grandparents [smaller]

grandmother

mother

grandfather

child

grandmother

child

mother

grandfather

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have only one child in your family, leave the second child line above blank.

mother, mother, children, grandparents [larger]

child

child

child

child

child

child

child

grandmother
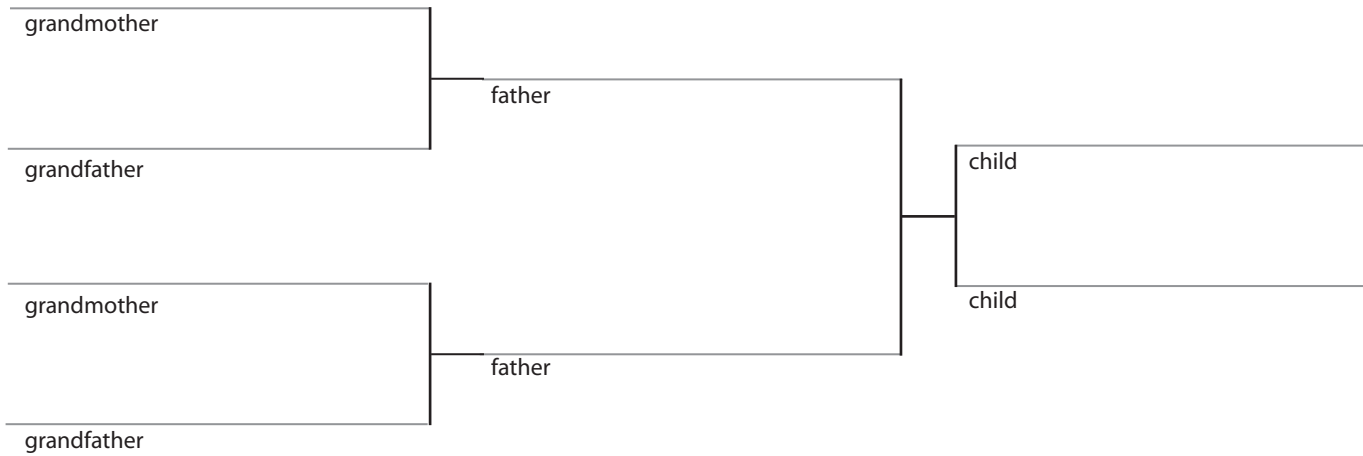
mother

grandfather

grandmother

mother

grandfather

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have only one child in your family, leave the second child line above blank.

father, father, children, grandparents

grandmother

father

grandfather

child

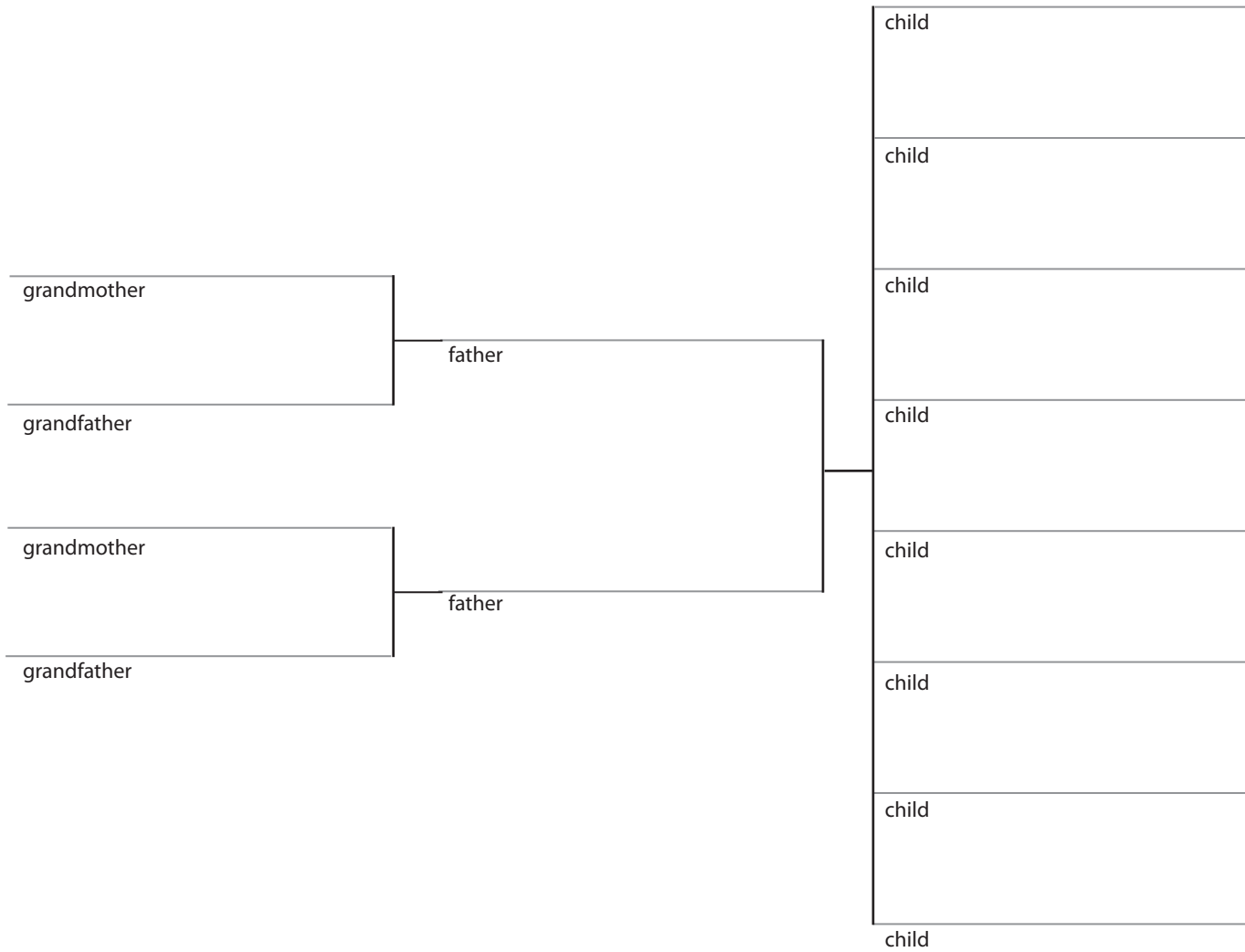grandmother

child

father

grandfather

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have only one child in your family, leave the second child line above blank.

father, father, children, grandparents

child

child

child

grandmother

child

father

child

grandfather

child

grandmother

child

father
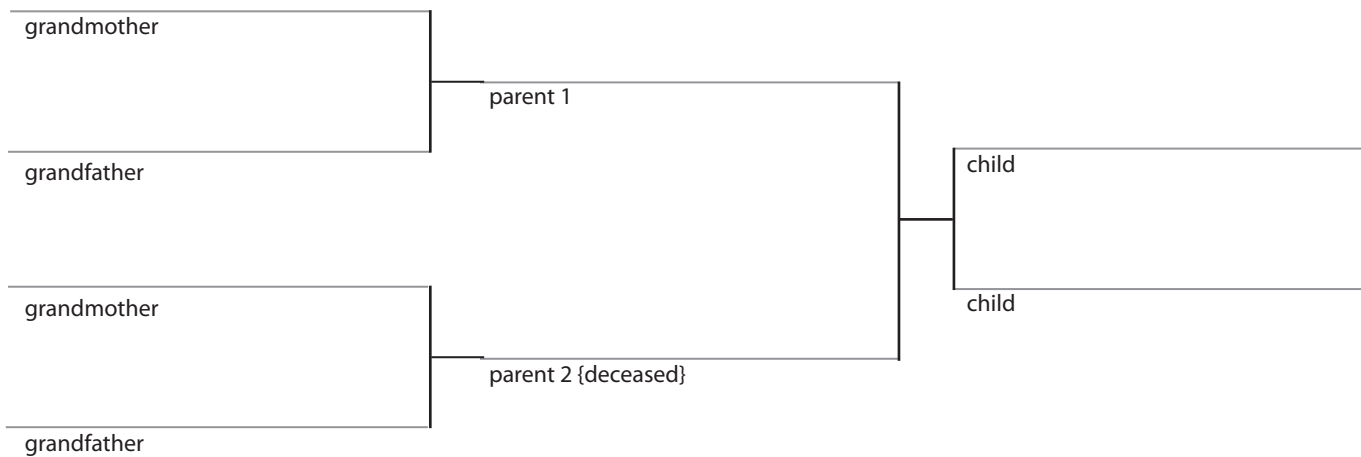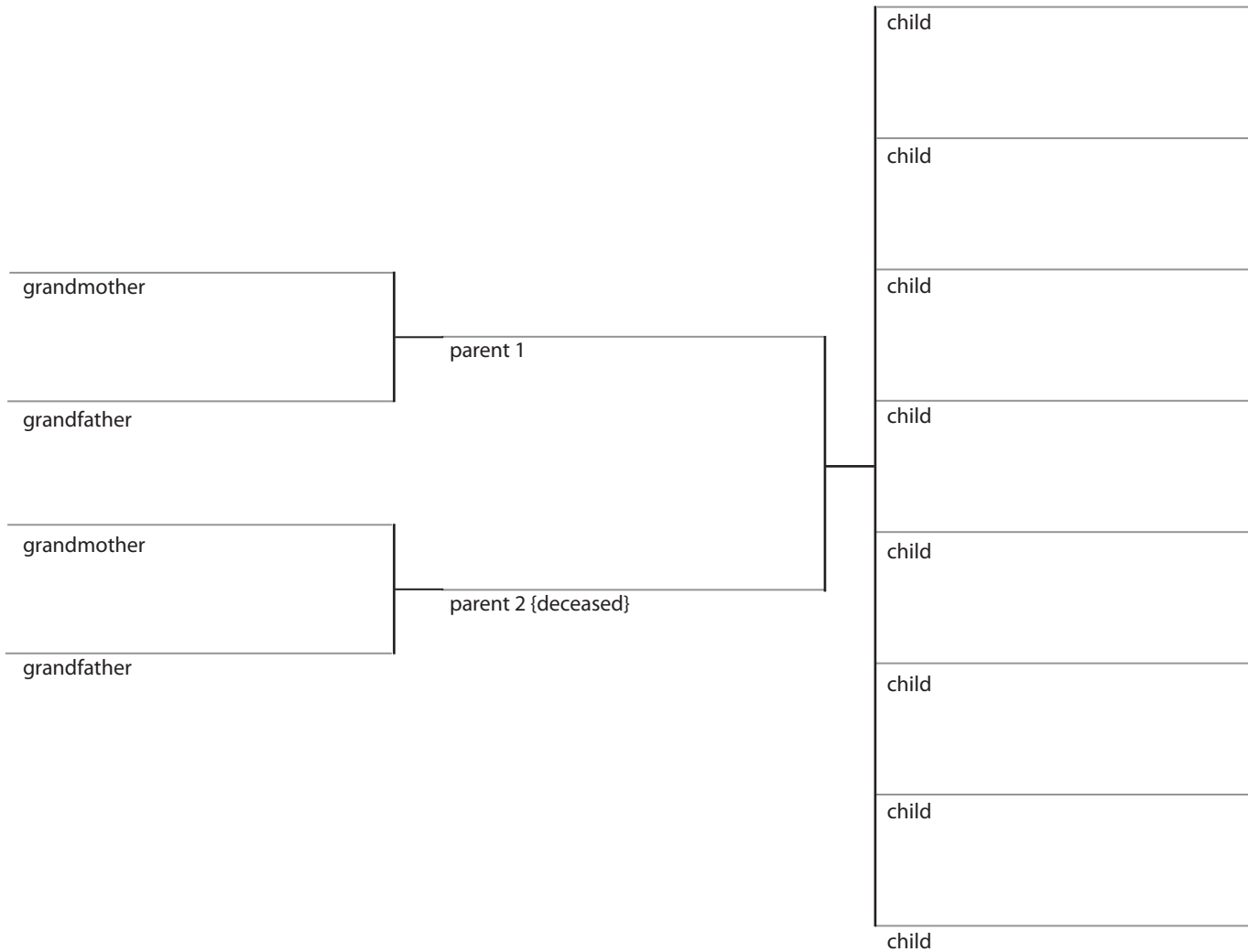
child

grandfather

child

child

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have only one child in your family, leave the second child line above blank.

single parent {deceased spouse}, children [smaller]

grandmother

parent 1

grandfather

child

child

grandmother

parent 2 {deceased}

grandfather

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have less than 8 children to list, then fill them in from the top and leave the unused lines blank.

single parent {deceased spouse}, children, grandparents [larger]

child

child

child

grandmother

parent 1

child

grandfather

child

grandmother

child

parent 2 {deceased}
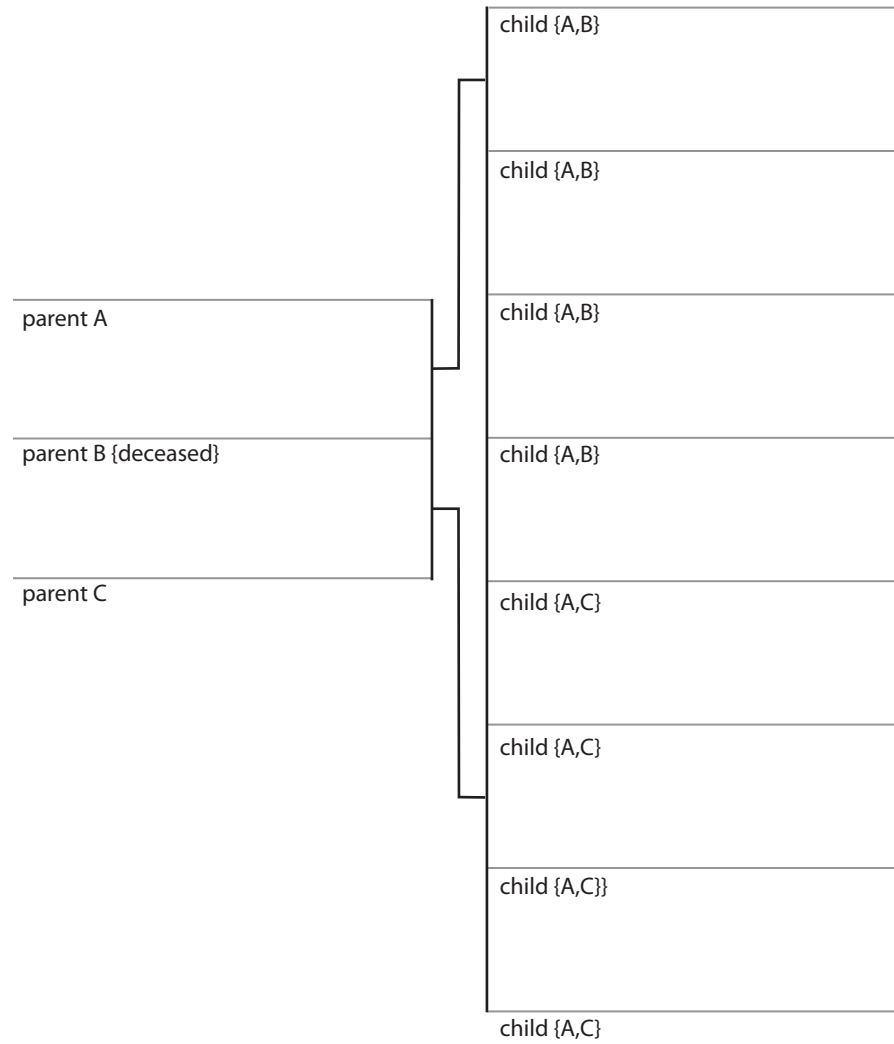
grandfather

child

child

child

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have less than 8 children to list, then fill them in from the top and leave the unused lines blank.

single parent {deceased spouse, remarried}, children [larger]

child {A,B}

child {A,B}

child {A,B}

parent A

child {A,B}

parent B {deceased}

child {A,B}

parent C

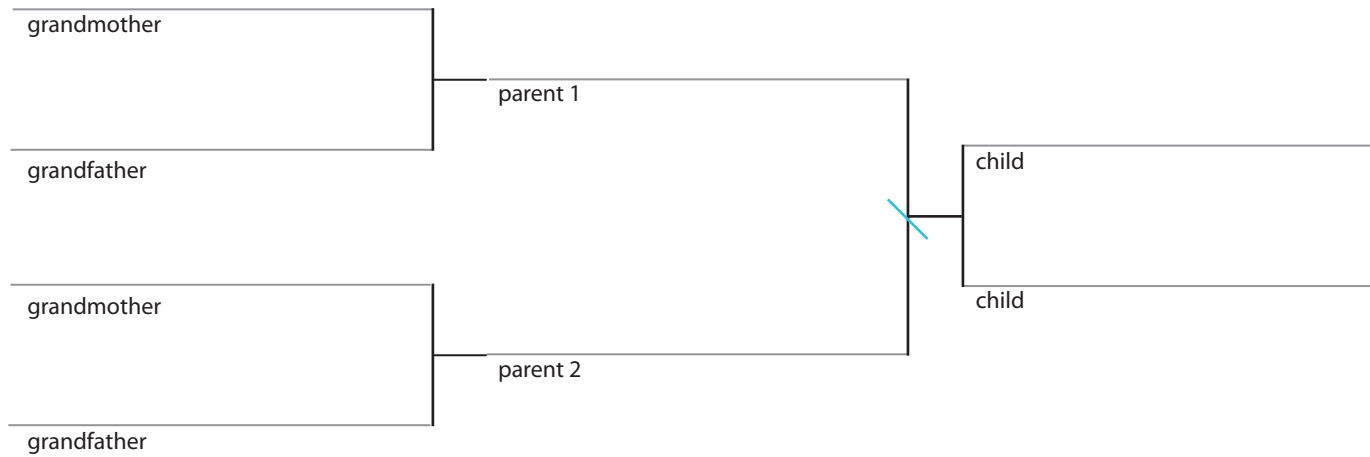child {A,C}

child {A,C}

child {A,C}}

child {A,C}

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have less than 8 children to list, then fill them in from the top and leave the unused lines blank.

single parent {divorced}, children, grandparents [smaller]

grandmother

grandfather

parent 1

child

child

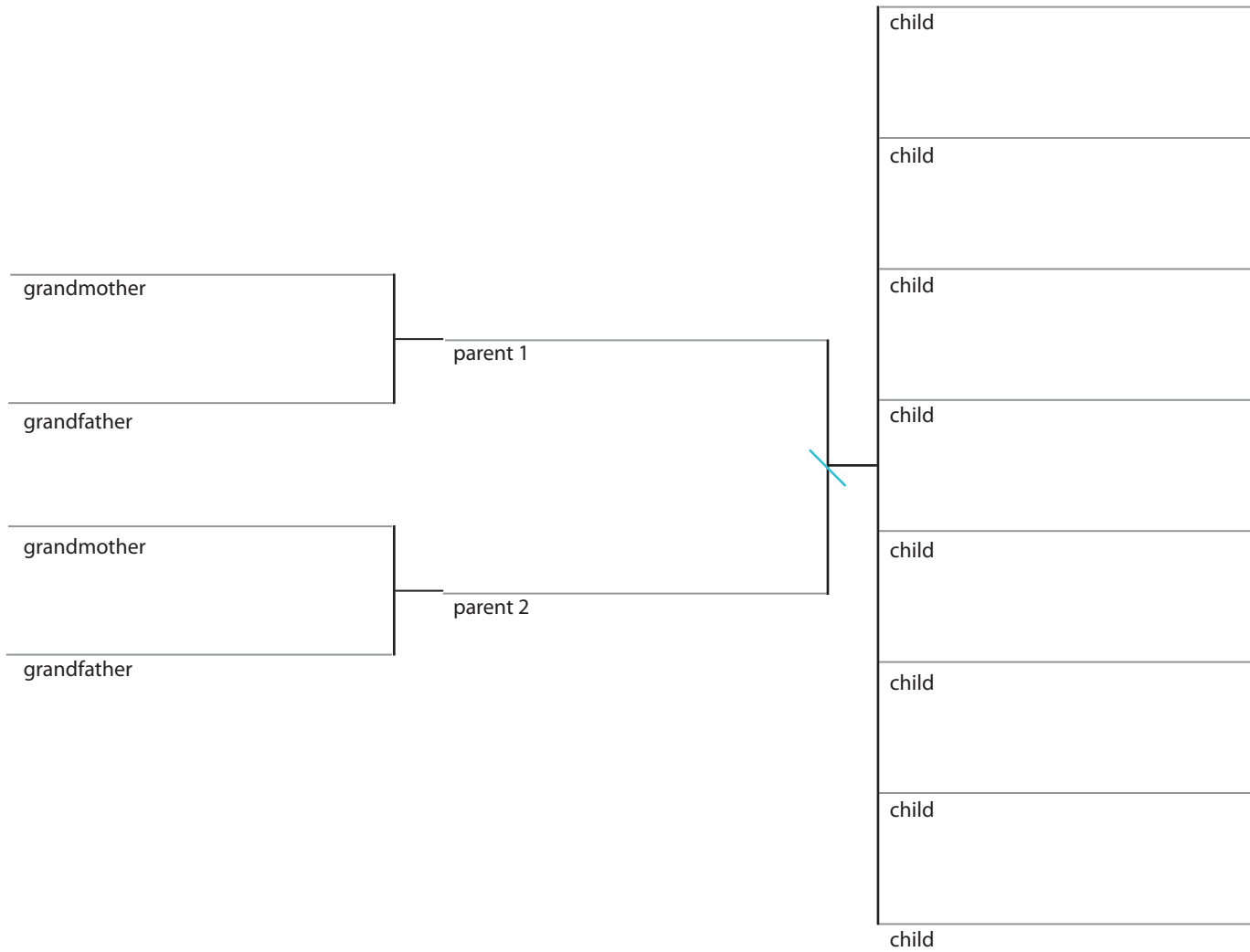grandmother

parent 2

grandfather

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have less than 8 children to list, then fill them in from the top and leave the unused lines blank.

single parent {divorced}, children, grandparents [larger]

child

child

child

grandmother

parent 1

child

grandfather

child

grandmother
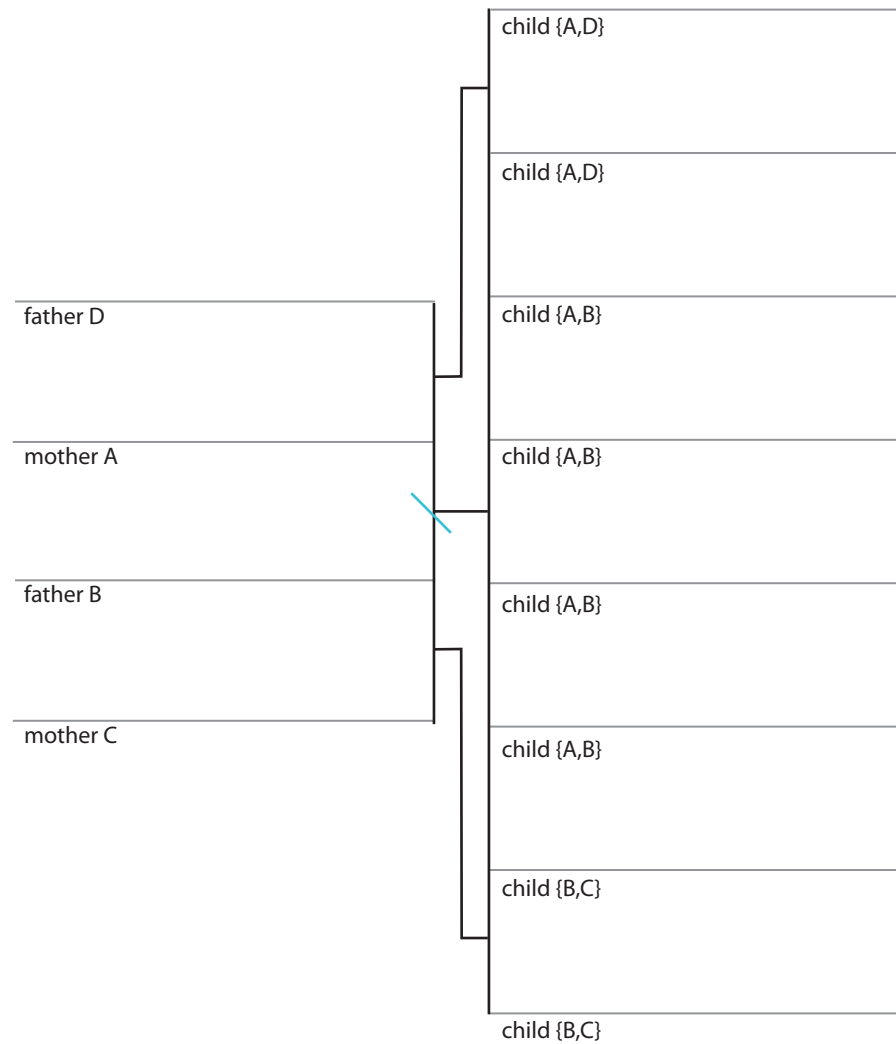
parent 2

child

grandfather

child

child

child

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have less than 8 children to list, then fill them in from the top and leave the unused lines blank.

mother, father {divorced/both remarried}, children [larger]

child {A,D}

child {A,D}

father D

child {A,B}

mother A

child {A,B}

father B

child {A,B}

mother C

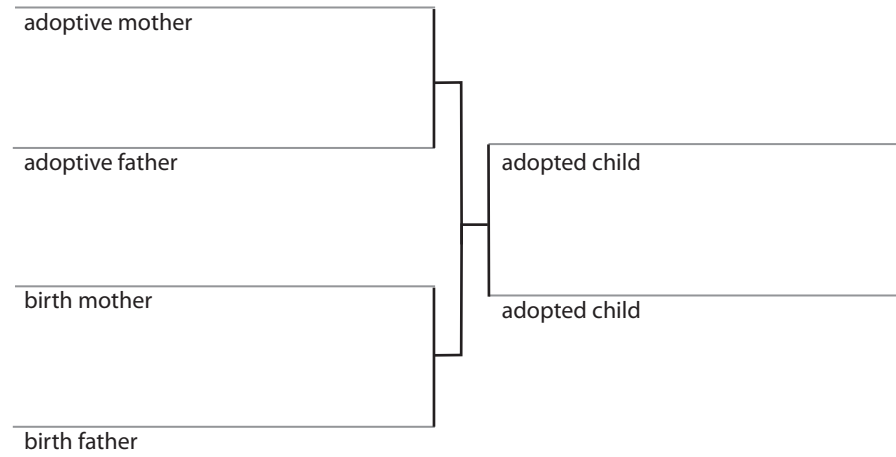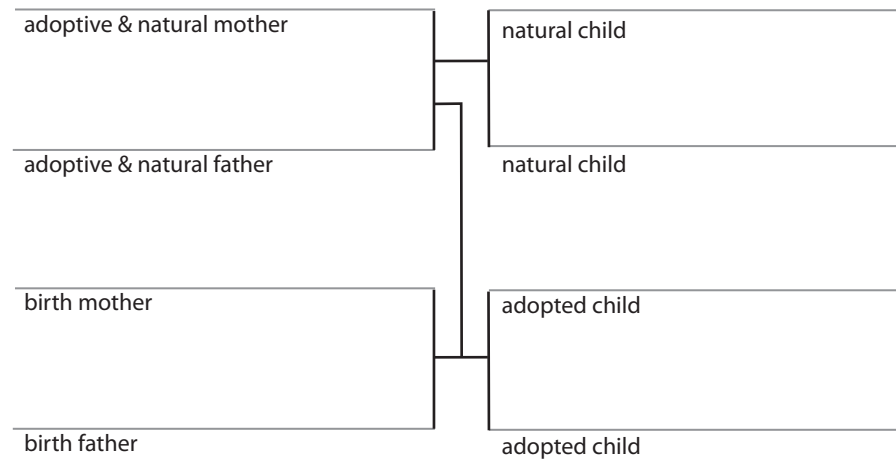child {A,B}

child {B,C}

child {B,C}

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have less than 8 children to list, then fill them in from the top and leave the unused lines blank.

mother, father, no natural children, adopted children [smaller]

adoptive mother

adoptive father

adopted child
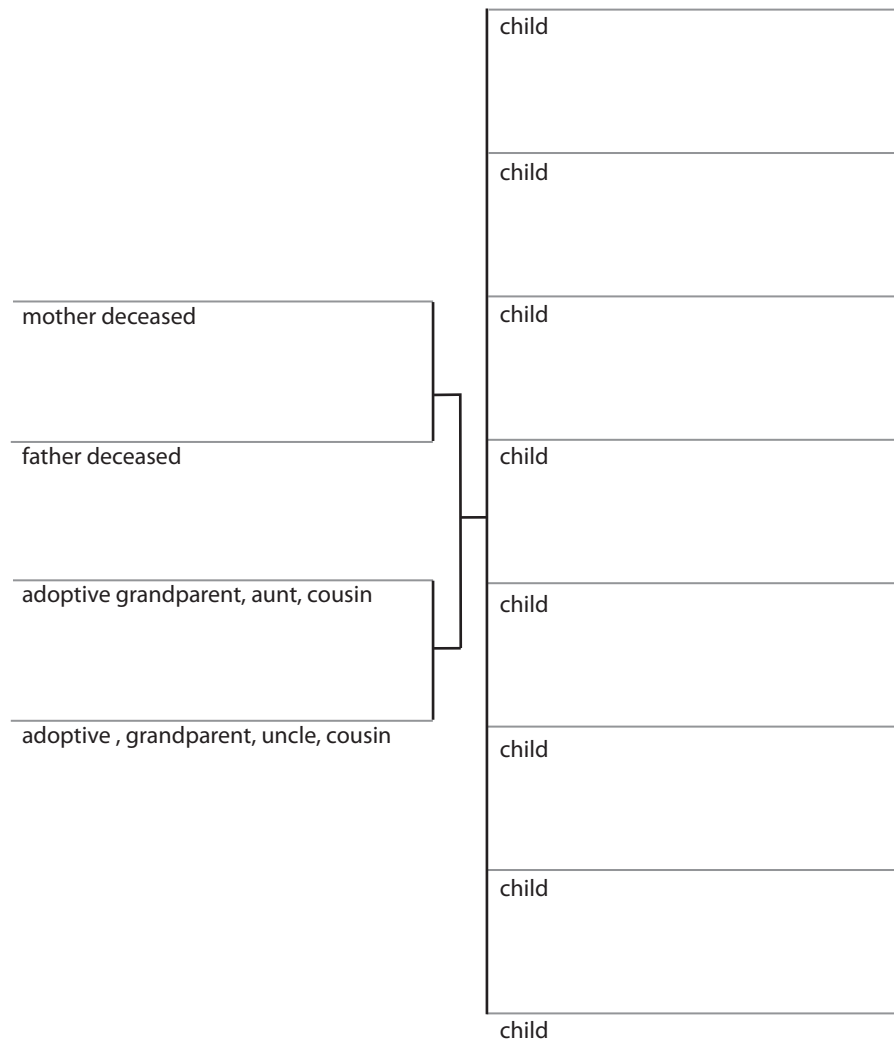
birth mother

adopted child

birth father

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have only one child in your family, leave the second child line above blank.

mother, father, natural & adopted children [smaller]

adoptive & natural mother

natural child

adoptive & natural father

natural child

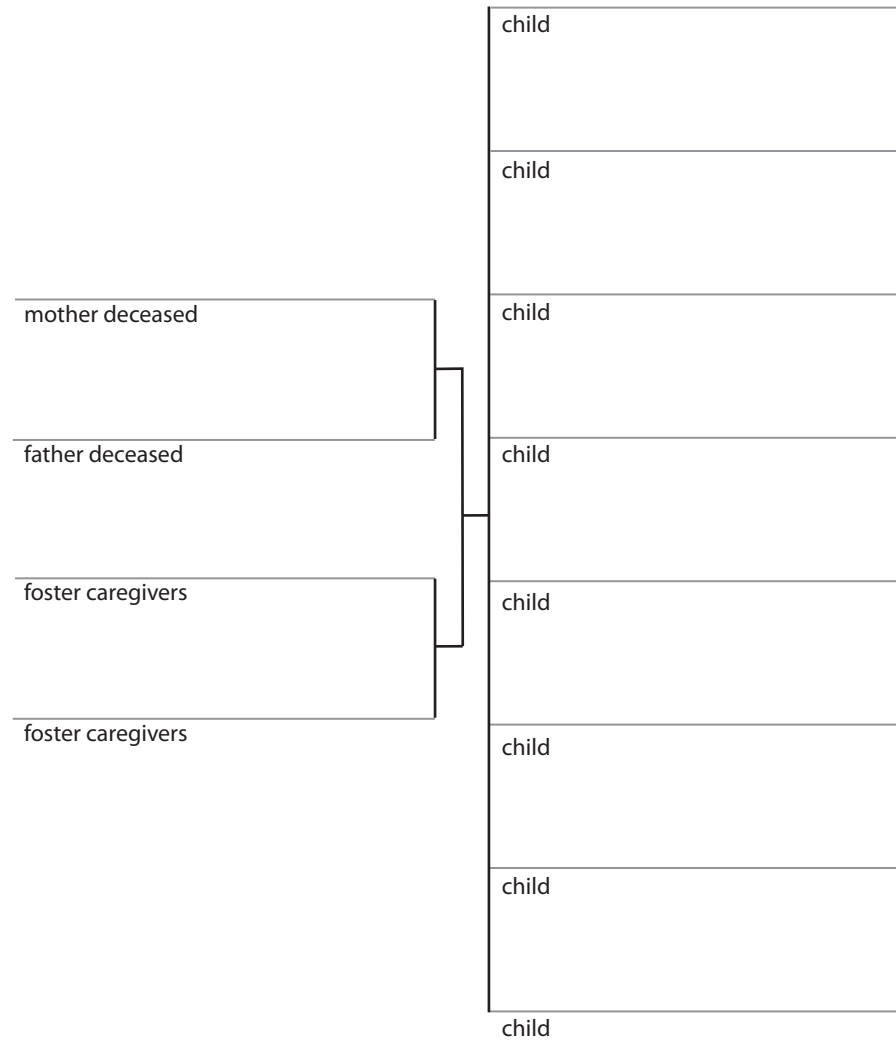birth mother

adopted child

birth father

adopted child

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have less than 4 children in your family, leave the unused lines above blank.
If you don't know the names of your birth parent(s), leave the unused lines blank.

mother, father (both deceased}, children, adopted by other family members [larger]

child

child

child

mother deceased

child

father deceased

child

adoptive grandparent, aunt, cousin

child

adoptive , grandparent, uncle, cousin

child

child

child

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have less than 8 children to list, then fill them in from the top and leave the unused lines blank.

mother, father {both deceased}, children, placed in foster care [larger]

child

child

child

mother deceased

child

father deceased

child

foster caregivers

child

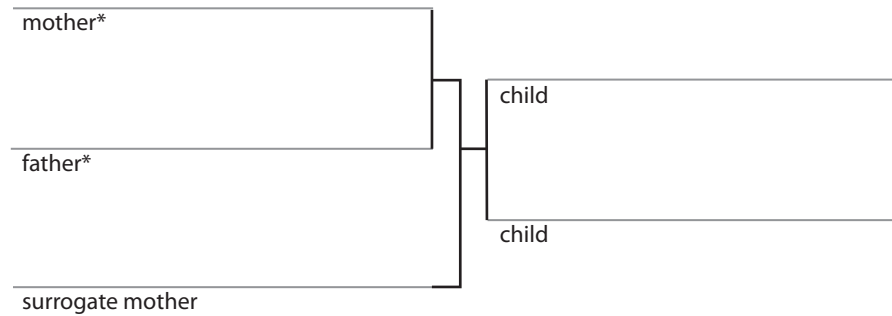foster caregivers

child

child

child

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have less than 8 children to list, then fill them in from the top and leave the unused lines blank.

mother, father, {no natural children} children by a surrogate [smaller]

mother and father's fertilized embryo implanted in surrogate
who carries child through gestational pregnancy and delivery.

*child inherits genetic makeup from this person

mother*

child
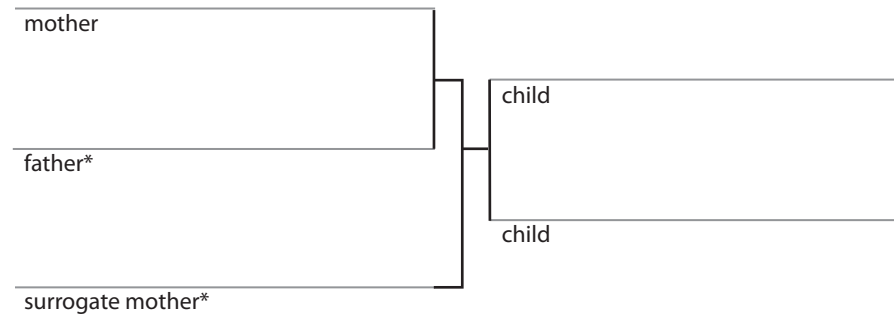
father*

child

surrogate mother

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have only one child in your family, leave the second child line above blank.

mother, father, {no natural children} children by a surrogate [smaller]

father's seeds used to artificially inseminate surrogate mother
who carries child through pregnancy and delivery

*child inherits genetic makeup from this person
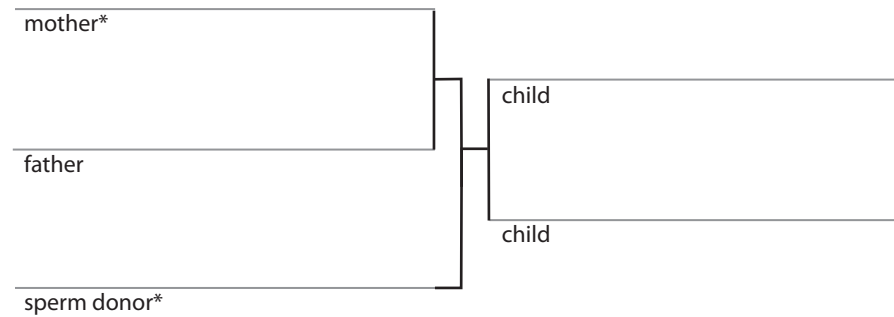
mother

child

father*

child

surrogate mother*

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have only one child in your family, leave the second child line above blank.

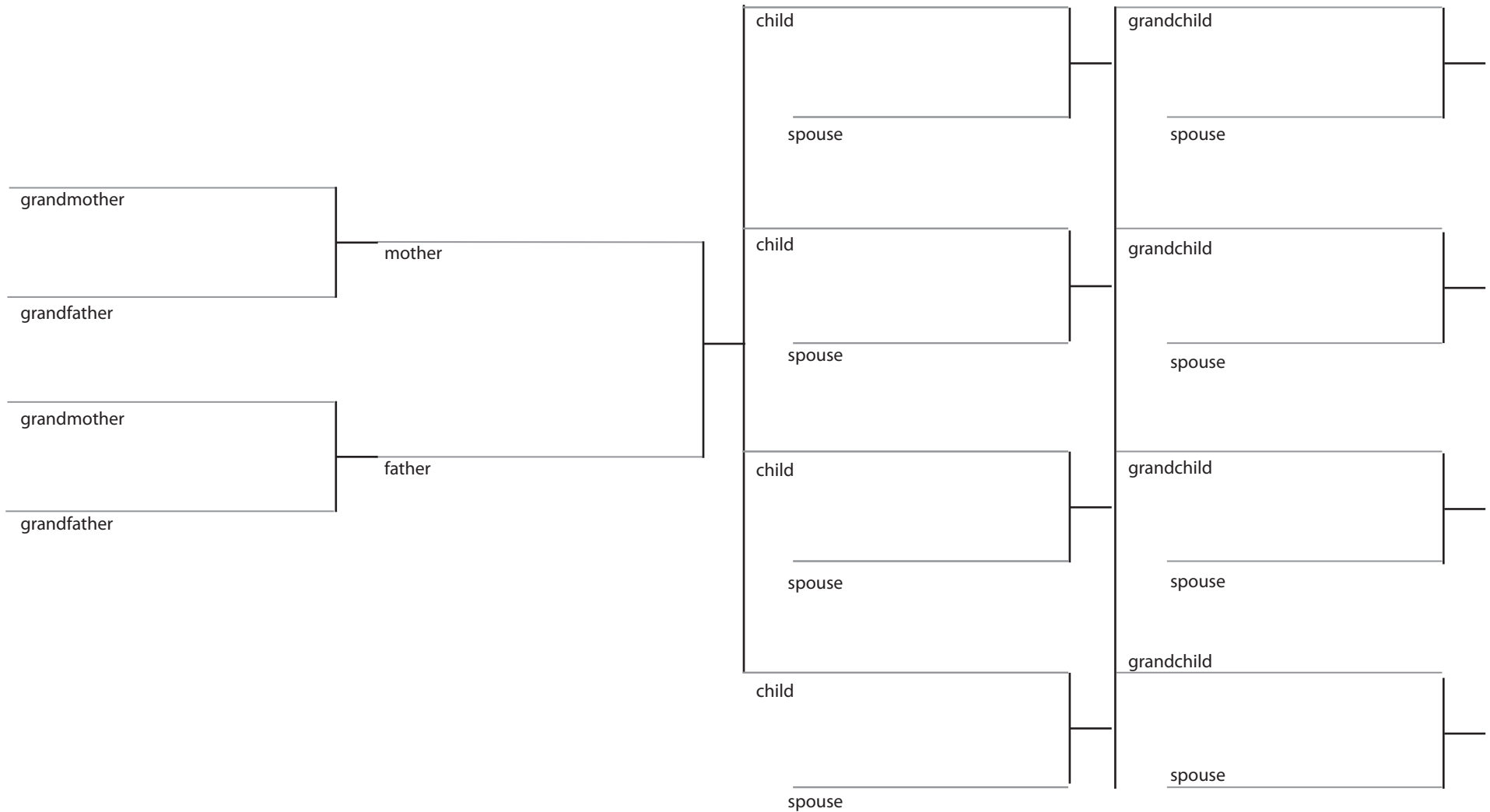mother, father, {no natural children} children by a sperm donor [smaller]

sperm donor seeds used to artificially inseminate mother
who carries child through pregnancy and delivery.

*child inherits genetic makeup from this person

mother*

father

child

child

sperm donor*

If you need more child brackets, you can draw in more brackets with a pencil and ruler.
If you have only one child in your family, leave the second child line above blank.

grandparents, mother, father, children, grandchildren [largest]

grandmother

grandfather

mother

grandmother

grandfather

father

child

spouse

child

spouse

child

spouse

child

spouse

grandchild

spouse

grandchild

spouse

grandchild

spouse

grandchild

spouse

By the time you get to grandparents and grandchildren, charting becomes difficult. You can see the standard sports tournament brackets to the left, and the hook shape brackets to the right. The left brackets get very crowded as you add brackets to the left. The right brackets looks better, but you can only track the descendants of one descendant line per child until you reach the present. If you wish to chart more than parents and children of a single nuclear family, try using the internet genealogy sites (the free ones, first) to chart your ancestors. Computers allow the construction of very complicated ancestor charts. Drawing your own charts for more than a nuclear family is very time-consuming and we firmly believe that your time would be better spent doing ancestor searching.