

Sample Touchstones

The following tables can be used to help determine touchstones for any Hunter. You might randomly choose one and try to work it in, or simply peruse the tables for inspiration.

Familial Touchstones. Many Hunters maintain a few tenuous, strained bonds with their families.

1. A single parent or guardian
2. Member of a parental couple
3. An older sibling
4. A younger sibling
5. A grandparent
6. Cousin
7. Aunt or Uncle
8. Niece or Nephew
9. Butler, Housekeeper, or Nanny
10. Child

Family Type Touchstones. Hunters may have a less-traditional family structure. Choose a family member based on this table, or in conjunction with Familial Touchstones.

1. Adopted family member
2. Black sheep of the family
3. Someone you treat as family; chosen family member
4. Foster family member
5. In-law or stepfamily member
6. Multi-generational family member
7. Polyamorous or polygamous family member
8. Single-parent family member
9. Large extended family member
10. Strictly traditional or old-fashioned family member

Intimate Touchstones. Many hunters have lost touch with anyone but their closest ties.

1. Spouse or partner, perhaps estranged or divorced
2. Secret crush
3. Best Friend
4. Occasional lover
5. First kiss or first love
6. Artistic partner: musical, visual, literary, etc.
7. Best friend at work
8. Intellectual, philosophical, or ideological partner
9. Someone emerged from the same crisis as you
10. Spiritual partner

Touchstones from Childhood or Adolescence.

These may represent relationships you've maintained from childhood or be related to your own children or dependents.

1. A parent-child relationship (or guardian, if adopted)
2. Nanny or babysitter
3. Childhood friend
4. A teacher
5. A religious official
6. First love
7. Childhood bully
8. First job
9. Someone related to the discovery of a strength or major talent
10. Someone related to a first experience with death

Casual Touchstones. Many hunters have completely cut themselves off from close relationships.

1. Employee at a local cafe, bodega, or bar
2. Neighbor child
3. Mail carrier or food delivery person
4. Boss or manager
5. Friend from a local sports league or fantasy sports league
6. Online friend
7. Sponsor in a recovery program
8. Member of a church, mosque, synagogue, temple, or other religious institution
9. Friend from work
10. Out-of-touch old friend