

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Due Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**My Personal Timeline**  
(BM = "Before Me" and AM = "After Me")

For this project, you will create a timeline of your life. To create your timeline, it's important to read through all the steps to this assignment **before** you begin. Creating a timeline that is both informative and easy to read takes a bit of forethought (practice thinking) and perhaps a rough draft or notes before you actually begin. To create your timeline, you will need to follow these steps:

1. Gather paper (or other material you think could work well) that will be long enough to fit all aspects of your timeline neatly.
2. Create a line across your paper to represent your span of time. *For some this will be a line drawn either at the top or bottom of your paper. For others, it might be drawn across the middle of your paper. For some, it might be vertical and for others, it might be a horizontal line.* Remember that your scale needs to be measured in a way that is equal to the number of years covered, in equal increments.
3. Interview family members about important events that have occurred (so far) in your life. Be sure to record the dates of the events as accurately as you can. Use the attached table to record your information.
4. Choose at least 10 events to include on your timeline. Here are some ideas of the kinds of events you might consider documenting:
  - Your birth
  - Moves or migrations
  - School(s) attended - beginnings, changes, graduations
  - Other births in the family
  - Major celebrations
  - Accidents or mishaps
  - Major weather situations
  - Religious events or celebrations
  - "Firsts" (like the first time you rode a bike, went camping, lost a tooth, ate rattlesnake, etc.)
  - VSD - Very Special Days you will always remember
  - Trips or vacations
  - Events that you are looking forward to in the future (middle or high school graduation, college, etc.)
5. Find or create pictures, symbols, magazine clippings, artifacts to help express the event on the timeline in a creative and artistic manner.
6. Using pencil first, write, draw and plan for how you will fill the timeline in with those events and their descriptions.
7. Go over your pencil work in a final way, using color, gluing down neatly and carefully the pictures, and writing neatly (maybe even in pen or printed) your final words.
8. Give your timeline a creative and personal title.
9. We will share our timelines on the due date.

**Events That Have Occurred in My Life (so far):**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Brief Description of Event</b>	<b>Symbol of Event</b> ( <i>rough draft here; you'll draw/include a the actual symbol on your Personal Timeline</i> )
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