



—TRAVEL THROUGH TIME —

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The Value of Keeping a Personal Timeline Journal by Christa Bartlett

A Timeline Journal, created by the student's own hand, should be the centerpiece of a classical education in history. This Journal is meant to be a record of topics and people that the student has met as he reads history, literature, and philosophy, and looks and listens to art and science. At first, it feels empty and lifeless, but as the number of entries grows, it takes on a life of its own. The student begins to see where the ideas of the Great Conversation came from and why they spread when they did and to where and through who. By placing her own birth and family history into the Journal, a student can see where he or she fits into the story that is written in human history.

You could label any notebook with appropriate dates and create your own timeline journal from it. Some students balk at such a task, even though it only takes a half hour to complete. It is, however, important that it be a physical, paper and ink endeavor. It should be kept with the other schoolbooks so that its creator can easily flip to the correct page to record the event or life about which he is reading.

Even if he starts with a printed base like the one contained within this text, there is great value in making it his own with a pen or twelve. She can decorate the pages as she likes, adding little cartoons to entries or coloring-coding topics in a way that makes sense to her mind. Or perhaps it will be a book of black and white pen entries, neatly printed. Even within this book, there are many systems that would work to organize such a project, as you can see from the examples provided on the next few pages.

There is a lot of learning that can take place from this simple exercise, but it is one that builds over time and takes a little while for it to become useful. However, the Timeline journal's usefulness grows as the student takes a few minutes per lesson to add a date or two every day. As more events and lives populate the journal, there are all sorts of relationships that become clear and tell better the story of civilization.

1401 AD

Alonso, 1991-1928

Renaissance
Age of Exploration
Middle Ages

Prince Henry: School of Navigation 1419

Durham Cathedral of Florence 1434
Annalini, Portrait 1434.

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1455 Gutenberg Printing Press

Czar Ivan the Great 1462 Russia
Emperor 1462-1536

Renaissance
Age of Exploration
Middle Ages

- Albrecht Dürer 1471-1528
- Lucas Cranach 1472-1553
- (Heliocentrism and Copernicus) 1473-1543
- Michelangelo 1475-1564

The Spanish Inquisition 1498 -

Ref. + Martin Luther 1483-1546

Ref. + William Earle 1489-1565

1492 - Columbus sails to New World

1491 - John Cabot sails to Newfoundland
1499 - Amerigo Vesputi sails to Americas

1949 - American Vespene's sails to America
1949 - John Cabot sails to America

1500 AD

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1811 AD

Battle of Tippecanoe
BUS charter expires
First Steamboat on Ohio
+ Mississippi rivers

The war of 1812 begins between US + Britain
James Madison reelected

Battle of Lake Erie
and Thames.

- Star Spangled Banner is written British Gen Washington D.C.
- Bottle of Lake Champlain + Plattsburg
- Hartford Convention
- Treaty of Ghent ends war

Jeffersonian Republicans vs.
Federalists ends
Battle of New Orleans

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James Monroe elected
president
second BUS created

James Madison presidency ends
James Monroe presidency begins
Pierre Chateaub
Thoreau

Abigail Adams dies.
Paul Revere dies

Missouri Compromise begins
Dr. Cylloch, V. Maryland.

1820 AD

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George V of England (1910-1936)					1911 AD				
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1911	1912	1913	1914	1915	1916	1917	1918	1919	1920
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grandfather Bill Hall born 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Woodrow Wilson elected Duchamp Nude descends a staircase 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Federal Reserve Act passed 16th Amendment (income tax) passed 17th Amendment (direct election of US Senators) passed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WWI and President Wilson WWI in Europe Revolution in Mexico leads to the landing of US troops at Vera Cruz Clayton Act passed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> sinking of the Lusitania brings us into WWI 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Woodrow Wilson re-elected US forces under General John Pershing chase Pancho Villa in Mexico 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lenin + The Bolshevik Revolution in Russia Russia February Revolution (non communist) October Revolution (communist) Zimmerman telegram US declares war on Germany + Central Powers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> US evangelist Billy Graham born American forces in key battles at Belleau Wood + the Ardennes WWI Armistice Nov. 11, 1918 Grandmother Ethel Hall born in Arkansas Great Grandmother Mary Hitt born in Henryetta, OK 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Versailles Peace Conference Wilson's 14 Points Versailles Treaty Lodge reservations to treaty introduced in the Senate Warren Harding elected president 18th Amendment (Prohibition) ratified Barth Roman's community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wilson has a stroke 19th Amendment (women's suffrage) ratified US economy enters recession

Characters and Events					Characters and Events				
In the Eighteenth Century					In the Eighteenth Century				
(1701 AD - 1800 AD)					(1701 AD - 1800 AD)				
1700	1710	1720	1730	1740	1700	1710	1720	1730	1740
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> John Sebastian Bach 1685-1750 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> David Hume 1711-1790 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rousseau 1712-1788 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> George Whitefield 1718-1770 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lessing 1729-1781 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> William Wordsworth 1770-1850 Hegel 1770-1831 Napoleon 1769-1821 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> James Wilberforce 1759-1833 Robert 1758-1794 1748-1832 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goethe 1749-1832 Benjamin Franklin 1706-1790 Immanuel Kant 1724-1804 John Wesley 1703-1791 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paul Bunyan 1734-1818 Thomas Jefferson 1743-1826 George Washington 1732-1799 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goethe 1749-1832 Benjamin Franklin 1706-1790 Immanuel Kant 1724-1804 John Wesley 1703-1791 Paul Bunyan 1734-1818 Thomas Jefferson 1743-1826 George Washington 1732-1799



Timeline Journal

This Book Belongs to: _____

Characters and Events

In the Ancient World

(Creation - 1000 BC)



Characters and Events

In the Ancient World

(Creation - 0 BC)



4000 BC



3001 BC



3000 BC



2001 BC



2000 BC



1001 BC



1000 BC





900 BC





800 BC

