

Personal Timeline Activity

40pts

In this activity you will construct a chronological timeline of **12 significant events** that have happened in your lifetime. Events that are deemed historically significant often have one or more of the following characteristics:

- Significant impact on those involved (at the time they were happening and/or in the future)
- Events that changed perspectives/attitudes
- Events that changed relationships
- Events that are well remembered
- Events that affect(ed) feelings/emotions in a lasting way

DO THE FOLLOWING:

- 1) Your timeline will begin with your birth. Add **ELEVEN** more events to the timeline.
- 2) You can use copy paper or poster board to do this project. You can tape/paste/staple copy paper together if you use it!
- 3) You must include a mixture of *personal events* and *public events* (things that have been invented, discovered, or happened)
- 4) For **three** of the *personal events* you listed, *explain why* this event was significant in your *personal history*.
 - use 3 to 5 sentences per explanation
 - each explanation should (a) *describe* the event; (b) *describe* how the event influenced who you've become; (c) what made it memorable?
- 5) For **three** of the *public events* you listed, *explain why* this event was significant in *general history*.
- 6) At least **five** of the events listed need to have a picture provided.
 - pictures from the **computer** (personal pics, internet pics, clip art); pictures **hand drawn** by you; and/or pictures cut out of **magazines**
- 7) Points will be taken off if the timeline is not neat and if it is clearly apparent no time was put into it!
- 8) You can ask your family members about some of your personal & public events to get details right.



Personal Timeline Project Rubric

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Name: _____

Period: _____

	Unacceptable	Needs Improvement	Meets Expectations	Above Expectations
Chronological Accuracy	Dates and spacing not consistent at all. Events not separated. Very hard to read. 0	Dates and spacing somewhat consistent. Events not separated. Hard to read. 5	Dates and spacing mostly consistent. Events separated. Still easy to read. 10	Dates and spacing are consistent. Events separated. Easy to read. 12
Visual Presentation & Appeal	No organization. Shows no time or effort. Disorganized. No images used. 0	Some organization. Shows some time and effort. But there is some clear disorganization. Limited images with little clarity. 5	Overall well organized. Shows good use of time and effort. Good use of images. Images connect to event and can be clearly seen. 10	Extremely organized. Many visuals. Shows a lot of time & thought. Visually appealing & engaging. More events have images than required. 12
Event Descriptions	No descriptions of major events. No detail. 0	Some of the events have been described as to why they are significant. Others were not clearly described. 5	All 3 personal and all 3 public events have been described as to their importance. 10	Highly & critically thought out why those certain events were significant. Went above and beyond. 12
Overall Communication & Creativity	Overall there is little to no clarity (visual and written). No creativity. Cannot be clearly understood. 0	Overall some clarity (visual and written). Some creative features. Understood clearly in most parts. Some disorganization. 5	Overall clearly understood. (visually and written). Clear organization, use of images, and good creativity. 10	Excellent clarity & presentation (visually and written). Clearly thought out. Much time spent on it. Great original creativity! 12

Overall Score: _____