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My Life Timeline

Make a timeline of your life! Write the year and what happened, then draw it.



Name: _____ **Date:** _____

My life, in order

I was born	Year:	Year:	Year:	Year:	This year

Next year I hope to...

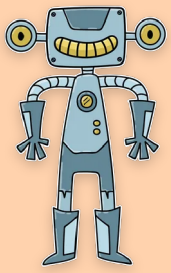
Ask a grown-up: what happened the year you were born?

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How We Got Around: Put It in Order

Read the events and their years. Number them 1 to 6 from oldest to newest, then write them on the timeline.



Name: _____ **Date:** _____

◯ **1969** Astronauts land on the Moon	◯ **1869** The first railroad across the United States is finished
◯ **1908** Ford starts selling the Model T car	◯ **1860** Pony Express riders start carrying mail across the West
◯ **1804** The first steam railway locomotive runs in Britain	◯ **1903** The Wright brothers make the first airplane flight

Write the events in order

1st _____

2nd _____

3rd _____

4th _____

5th _____

6th _____

How do you think people will get around 100 years from now?

_____

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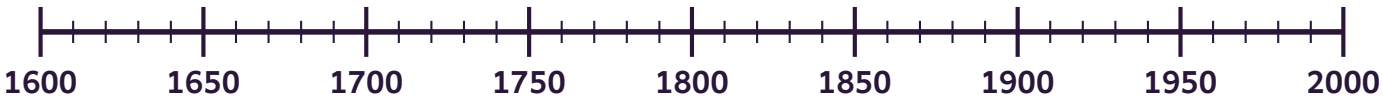
American History Timeline

Put a dot on the timeline for each event, then write its letter above the dot.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____



A	The Pilgrims land at Plymouth	1620
B	The Declaration of Independence is signed	1776
C	George Washington becomes the first President	1789
D	Abraham Lincoln signs the Emancipation Proclamation	1863
E	Women win the right to vote (19th Amendment)	1920
F	Astronauts land on the Moon	1969



1. **Which event happened first?**

_____

2. **How many years after the Declaration did Washington become President?**

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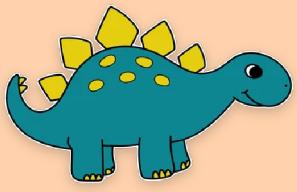
3. **Which two events are closest together?**

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Which Came First?



Read each pair. Circle the one that happened first.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

1.	Dinosaurs lived	or	The pyramids of Giza were built
2.	Columbus sails to the Americas	or	The Pilgrims land at Plymouth
3.	The Pilgrims and Wampanoag share a harvest feast	or	The American Revolution begins
4.	George Washington becomes President	or	Abraham Lincoln becomes President
5.	The first telephone call	or	The first airplane flight
6.	The Statue of Liberty is finished	or	The Golden Gate Bridge opens
7.	Women win the right to vote	or	Martin Luther King Jr. gives his "I Have a Dream" speech
8.	Astronauts land on the Moon	or	The Civil War begins

Which pair was the hardest? Why?

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Then and Now



Ask a grandparent or older friend what these things were like when they were your age. Draw then and now.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Who I asked: _____ **They were my age in about** _____

	Then (long ago)	Now (today)
School		
Phones		
Getting around		
Toys and games		

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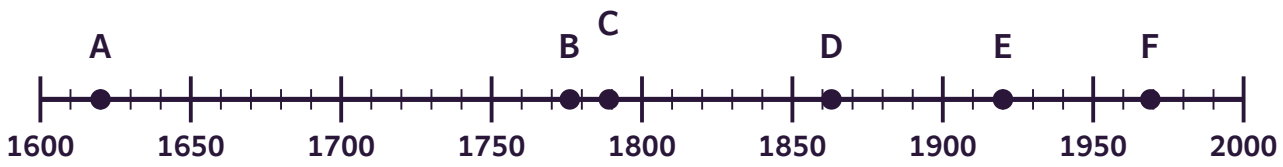
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Answer key: Timelines and sequencing

How We Got Around: Put It in Order

1. **1804** The first steam railway locomotive runs in Britain
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3. **1869** The first railroad across the United States is finished
4. **1903** The Wright brothers make the first airplane flight
5. **1908** Ford starts selling the Model T car
6. **1969** Astronauts land on the Moon

American History Timeline



1. Which event happened first? **A: the Pilgrims land at Plymouth (1620)**
2. How many years after the Declaration did Washington become President? **13 years (1789 – 1776)**
3. Which two events are closest together? **B and C (13 years apart)**

Which Came First?

1. **Dinosaurs lived** (about 66 million years ago) before The pyramids of Giza were built (about 2500 BC)
2. **Columbus sails to the Americas** (1492) before The Pilgrims land at Plymouth (1620)
3. **The Pilgrims and Wampanoag share a harvest feast** (1621) before The American Revolution begins (1775)
4. **George Washington becomes President** (1789) before Abraham Lincoln becomes President (1861)
5. **The first telephone call** (1876) before The first airplane flight (1903)
6. **The Statue of Liberty is finished** (1886) before The Golden Gate Bridge opens (1937)
7. **Women win the right to vote** (1920) before Martin Luther King Jr. gives his "I Have a Dream" speech (1963)
8. **The Civil War begins** (1861) before Astronauts land on the Moon (1969)

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