

Grandparent Biography The Legacy Project The Double Sided Timeline

Timelines help people understand history. People use timelines to keep track of things that happen on certain days or in certain years. They also show how much time occurred between events.

Your timeline can be horizontal or vertical. One side will depict important **historical** events along with a brief description. The description should explain what the event/topic is and its historical significance. In addition, each event will need a picture or symbol. The other side will depict **biographical** information. Each side must include a minimum of five events. You will need to cite your sources.

Life Layers

The lines on the Life Layers sheet represent a person's life, with the different decades marked off. The arrows indicate the flow of a person's life through the layers. The sheet helps a person map the changes that have taken place over their lifetime and see how the layers of their life experiences have brought them to where they are today.

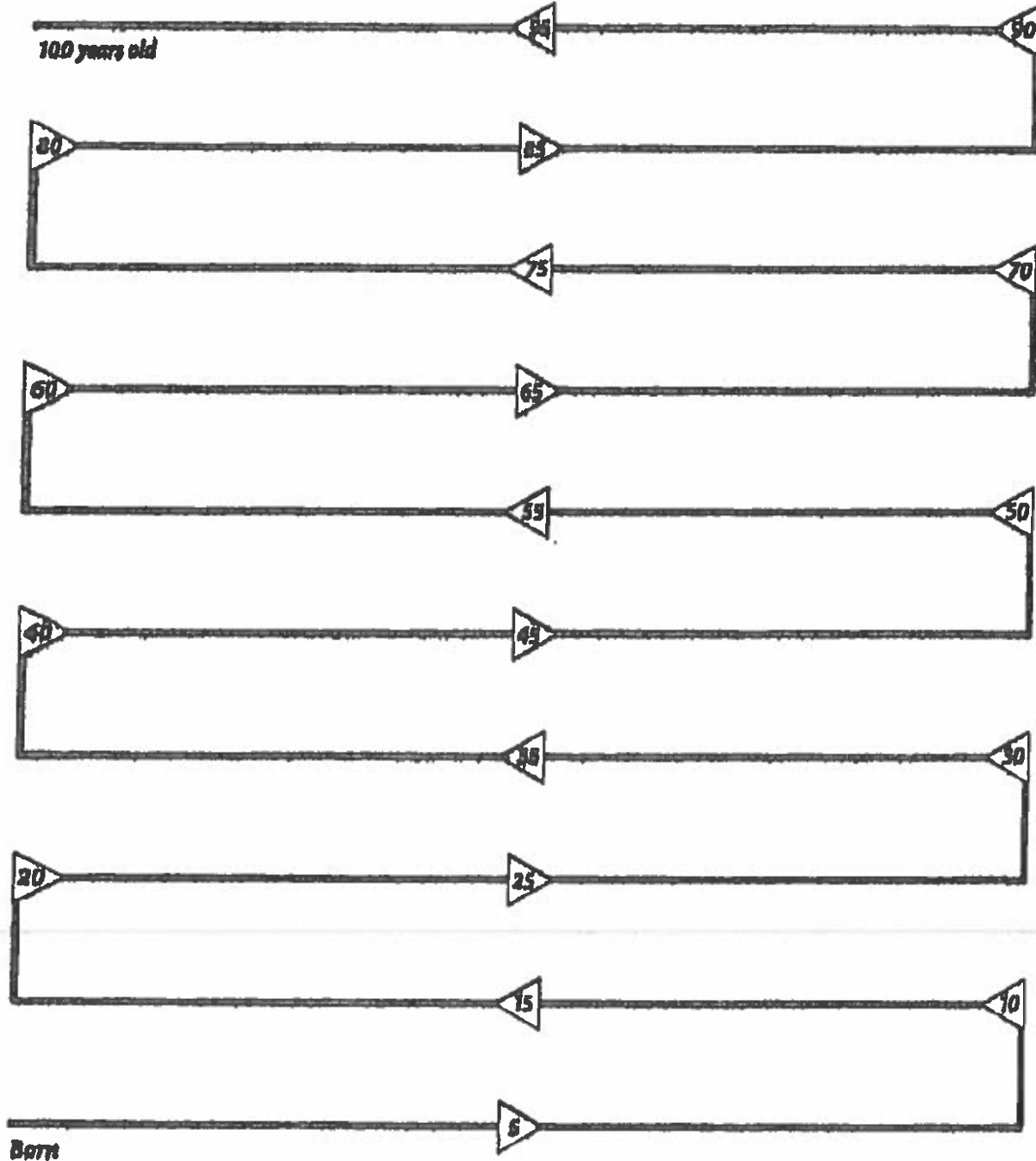
Directions:

In general, you can use words, symbols, and drawings to sketch your subject's journey through the life layers. Be as creative as you like.

Here are the basic steps:

- Write in your subject's name and birth date.
- Above the lines, write in the names of your subject's children and grandchildren at the time in his/her life when they were born. You can also include other family members like siblings. If you wish, you can note the dates.
- Still working above the lines, in another color of pen, note other significant life events, milestones, and transitions (e.g. when your subject went to college, graduated college, got married, got first job, retired, etc.).
- Below the lines, in yet another color of pen, identify historical events that made an impact on your subject's life.
- Now, look at the time left on the map of your subject's life. What else would he/she like to do? What dreams and goals does he/she have? Write in the ideas in another color of pen.

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Name

Birth Date

Present Date