

Timelines—Upper-Intermediate

Let's discuss

A Read the text and answer the questions.

Timelines are a useful tool for showing a series of events in the past, present or future in order. You can use a timeline to talk about a famous person's biography as well as your family members' and friends' lives. They can also be used to talk about your own life or an event, like a holiday.

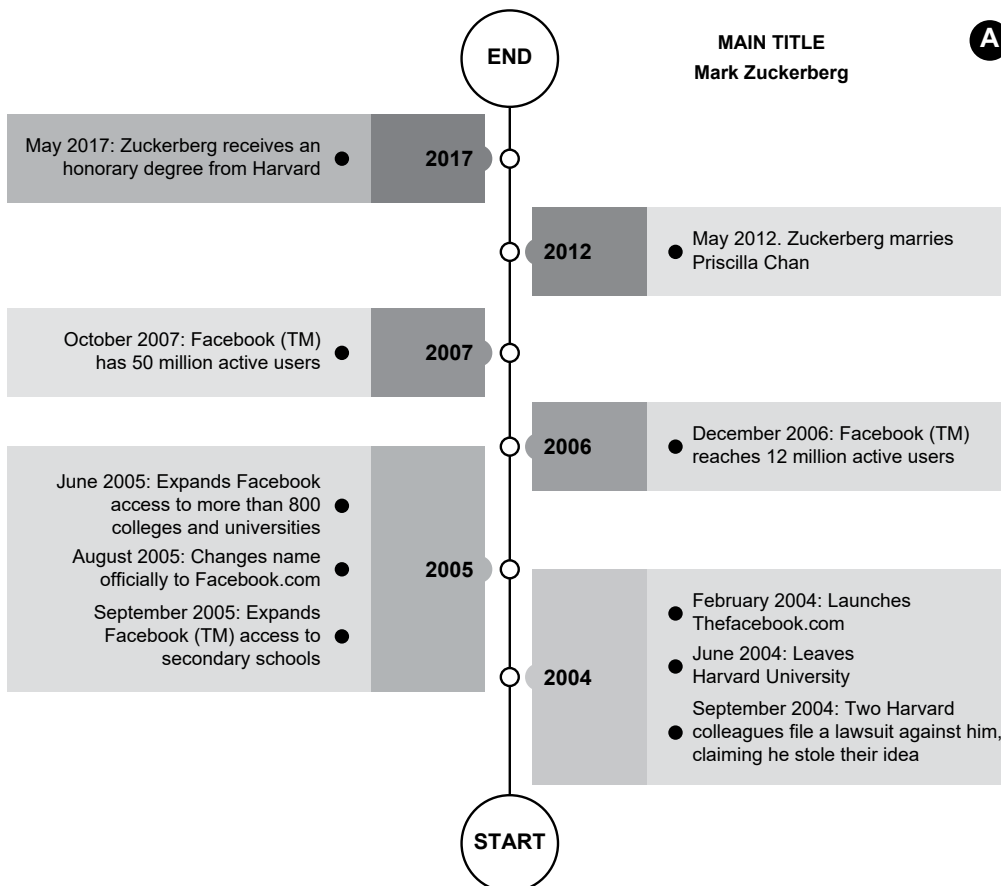
In addition to using text, you can add images, videos, audio recordings and links to make them more interesting and visually appealing.

As well as being very creative, online timelines are a fantastic way to share and publish your information with others.

1. What can a timeline be used for
2. Who can you write a timeline for and when?

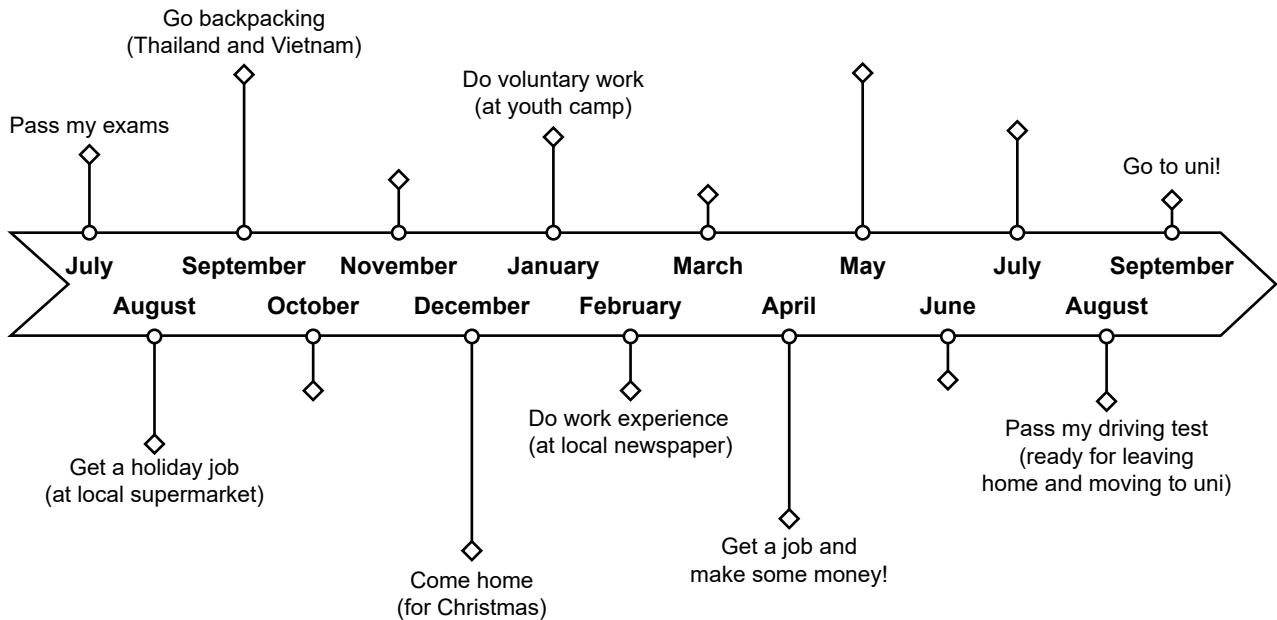
Let's analyse

A Look at the two examples of a timeline and then answer the questions in groups.



My gap year aspirations

B



***gap year** (n.) - a year-long break that students take between the end of high school and the start of college.

1. What is timeline A about? Does it talk about past or future events?
2. What types of events are in timeline A?
3. Why is there no final entry on the timeline?
4. What is timeline B about? Is it about a famous person? How do you know?
5. What types of events are in the timeline?
6. Why does the timeline end in September?
7. What could the writer make their next timeline about?

Let's do it!

Step 1 Think about at least ten major events or goals at different stages in your future life. Here are some ideas:

- the next year of your life.
- the next 20 years of your life.

Step 2 Go online and search for a timeline creation tool.

Step 3 Create your timeline. Try to predict when the events or goals will come to fruition. Think of a title (e. g. *My Future Aspirations*) and use pictures, if you can, to make it more interesting.

Step 4 Once you have finished, share the link to your timeline with your teacher and classmates.