



# Lesson Ideas for Teachers

## Distance Learning with *World Book Timelines*

Learning doesn't have to be limited to the classroom! Try assigning work for your students to do at home at [www.worldbookonline.com/wbtimelines](http://www.worldbookonline.com/wbtimelines).



Great for middle and high school-aged kids and available 24/7!

As an educator, you know that writing is extremely important for students to practice every day. Try assigning a *Timelines* journal, where every day, students answer a different writing prompt.

1. Send students a list of prompts that they can answer in any order, something like "Over 1,000 Writing Prompts for Students" from the New York Times.
2. In *Timelines*, have students **Create a Timeline**.
3. Each day, **create a new event** and enter the prompt in the **Event Description**, where there is a 200 character limit.
4. Students can then answer the prompt in the **Notes**, where there is a 2000 character limit.

## Keep a Journal!

Start Date:       Date is circa (approximate)

End Date (optional):       Date is circa (approximate)

Event Description:

[What Advice Do You Have for Younger Kids About Navigating Social Media?](#)

129 character limit

Color-code Your Event (optional):

Add Notes (optional):

Growing up in the age of social media can be difficult. My biggest piece of advice to younger students is to just be yourself. You are not perfect and no one expects you to be,

1819 character limit

## Current Events

### BEHIND THE HEADLINES

GET THE SCOOP

Tennessee's Deadly Tornadoes  
March 18, 2020

Earlier this month, on the night of March 2-3, massive thunderstorms spawned a cluster of tornadoes in Tennessee, killing 25 people and causing widespread destruction. The two most powerful tornadoes struck Nashville, the state capital, and nearby Putnam and Wilson counties. Tornadoes from the same storm system also touched the neighboring states of Alabama, Kentucky, and Missouri. Tennessee's tornado outbreak was the worst since a group of more than 50 tornadoes killed 35 people in the state in April 2011.

CURRENT ACTIVITY!

**March 19, 2020**  
Washington Post News

Prosecutors press to release inmates...

Coronavirus in the DMV: What you ...

Live updates: Resident of Va. assisted...

In The Headlines

Start Date:       Date is circa (approximate)

End Date (optional):       Date is circa (approximate)

Event Description:

It has been 50 years since the US Air Force ended project Blue Book. This project was an official study of UFO's. The project concluded origins can be explained and myths

7 character limit

Keeping up with what is going on in our world is so important, especially in this age of endless information. Have your students keep track of current events using *Timelines*!

1. In *Timelines*, have students **Create a Timeline**.
2. Students can use **Behind the Headlines** in *Student* or **In the Headlines** in *Advanced* to find a current event and read about it.
3. For each current event, have students **create a new event** and describe it in the **Event Description**.
4. Students can then summarize the event, or answer the Who, What, When, Where, Why, in the **Notes**.

# Analyze History!

Help students understand history by analyzing important historical events chronicled in *Timelines*!

1. In *Timelines*, have students browse or search for a **World Book Timeline**.
2. Students can explore that timeline, learning about important events related to that topic.
3. Have students choose 3 events that they think are the most influential to that topic. They can use the **color-coding** feature to highlight these.
4. Have students write a summary of the timeline, explaining why they chose those 3 events.



Keep students reading while at home! Have students do a character study using *eBooks* and *Timelines*!

1. Choose one of hundreds of classic literature books in *eBooks*
2. In *Timelines*, have students **Create a Timeline**.
3. **Create a new event** for each memorable or important plot event.
4. Students can write about this event from multiple characters' points of view and use **color-coding** to classify each character.

## Do a Character Study of a Book



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