

Create Your Own Book of Centuries

A Book of Centuries is like a timeline in a notebook. As its name suggests, each two-page spread in the book is devoted to one hundred years—a century—of history. Each student creates his or her own book, recording historical events and names of importance, along with pictures, poems, quotes, and anything else that makes the book individual. You can also add written narrations, illustrations from the Internet, or titles of books you've read that are set in that time period.

If your children are not yet old enough to take on the responsibility of their own Books of Centuries, you can create one together as a family.

Books of Centuries can be as simple or elaborate as you desire. This simple Book of Centuries document labels each two-page spread with a date (in hundred-year increments) from 4000 B.C. to A.D. 2099. Follow the easy steps below to create your own Book of Centuries.

1. Print this document. (Some people like to use heavier paper for more durability.)
2. Sort the printed pages into two identical piles, with the same dates opposite each other.
3. Three-hole punch one pile of copies on the right side of the paper and the other pile, on the left side. Now you should have each of the two pages with identical dates laying beside each other, holes facing each other on the inside edges of the pages.
4. Put the pages in chronological order into a three-ring notebook. The first two pages in the notebook should be 4000—3901 B.C. and the last two pages should be A.D. 2000—2099. (Remember that the B.C. dates count backwards and the A.D. dates count forwards. So your book should start with 4000 B.C., 3900 B.C., 3800 B.C., etc. Once you get to 100—1 B.C., start counting forwards again with A.D. 0, A.D. 100, A.D. 200, up to A.D. 2000.)

That's it! Make a cover for your Book of Centuries if you want to, then just start making entries as you study different time periods, people, and events. Enjoy!

4000—3901 B.C.
(B.C. = "Before Christ")

4000—3901 B.C.

3900—3801 B.C.

3900—3801 B.C.

3800—3701 B.C.

3800—3701 B.C.

3700—3601 B.C.

3700—3601 B.C.

3600—3501 B.C.

3600—3501 B.C.

3500—3401 B.C.

3500—3401 B.C.

3400—3301 B.C.

3400—3301 B.C.

3300—3201 B.C.

3300—3201 B.C.

3200—3101 B.C.

3200—3101 B.C.

3100—3001 B.C.

3100—3001 B.C.

3000—2901 B.C.

3000—2901 B.C.

2900—2801 B.C.

2900—2801 B.C.

2800—2701 B.C.

2800—2701 B.C.

2700—2601 B.C.

2700—2601 B.C.

2600—2501 B.C.

2600—2501 B.C.

2500—2401 B.C.

2500—2401 B.C.

2400—2301 B.C.

2400—2301 B.C.

2300—2201 B.C.

2300—2201 B.C.

2200—2101 B.C.

2200—2101 B.C.

2100—2001 B.C.

2100—2001 B.C.

2000—1901 B.C.

2000—1901 B.C.

1900—1801 B.C.

1900—1801 B.C.

1800—1701 B.C.

1800—1701 B.C.

1700—1601 B.C.

1700—1601 B.C.

1600—1501 B.C.

1600—1501 B.C.

1500—1401 B.C.

1500—1401 B.C.

1400—1301 B.C.

1400—1301 B.C.

1300—1201 B.C.

1300—1201 B.C.

1200—1101 B.C.

1200—1101 B.C.

1100—1001 B.C.

1100—1001 B.C.

1000—901 B.C.

1000—901 B.C.

900—801 B.C.

900—801 B.C.

800—701 B.C.

800—701 B.C.

700—601 B.C.

700—601 B.C.

600—501 B.C.

600—501 B.C.

500—401 B.C.

500—401 B.C.

400—301 B.C.

400—301 B.C.

300—201 B.C.

300—201 B.C.

200—101 B.C.

200—101 B.C.

100—1 B.C.

100—1 B.C.

A.D. 0—99
1st Century

(A.D. = "Anno Domini," in the year of our Lord)

A.D. 0—99
1st Century

A.D. 100—199
2nd Century

A.D. 100—199
2nd Century

A.D. 200—299
3rd Century

A.D. 200—299
3rd Century

A.D. 300—399
4th Century

A.D. 300—399
4th Century

A.D. 400—499
5th Century

A.D. 400—499
5th Century

A.D. 500—599
6th Century

A.D. 500—599
6th Century

A.D. 600—699
7th Century

A.D. 600—699
7th Century

A.D. 700—799
8th Century

A.D. 700—799
8th Century

A.D. 800—899
9th Century

A.D. 800—899
9th Century

A.D. 900—999
10th Century

A.D. 900—999
10th Century

A.D. 1000—1099
11th Century

A.D. 1000—1099
11th Century

A.D. 1100—1199
12th Century

A.D. 1100—1199
12th Century

A.D. 1200—1299
13th Century

A.D. 1200—1299
13th Century

A.D. 1300—1399
14th Century

A.D. 1300—1399
14th Century

A.D. 1400—1499
15th Century

A.D. 1400—1499
15th Century

A.D. 1500—1599
16th Century

A.D. 1500—1599
16th Century

A.D. 1600—1699
17th Century

A.D. 1600—1699
17th Century

A.D. 1700—1799
18th Century

A.D. 1700—1799
18th Century

A.D. 1800—1899
19th Century

A.D. 1800—1899
19th Century

A.D. 1900—1999
20th Century

A.D. 1900—1999
20th Century

A.D. 2000—2099
21st Century

A.D. 2000—2099
21st Century
