

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. 2100. 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. 2001—2100. (Remember that the B.C. dates count backward and the A.D. dates count forward. 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 forward again with A.D. 1—100, A.D. 101—200, A.D. 201—300, up to A.D. 2001—2100.)

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. 1—100

1st Century

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

A.D. 1—100
1st Century

A.D. 101—200
2nd Century

A.D. 101—200
2nd Century

A.D. 201—300
3rd Century

A.D. 201—300
3rd Century

A.D. 301—400
4th Century

A.D. 301—400
4th Century

A.D. 401—500
5th Century

A.D. 401—500
5th Century

A.D. 501—600
6th Century

A.D. 501—600
6th Century

A.D. 601—700
7th Century

A.D. 601—700
7th Century

A.D. 701—800
8th Century

A.D. 701—800
8th Century

A.D. 801—900
9th Century

A.D. 801—900
9th Century

A.D. 901—1000
10th Century

A.D. 901—1000
10th Century

A.D. 1001—1100
11th Century

A.D. 1001—1100
11th Century

A.D. 1101—1200
12th Century

A.D. 1101—1200
12th Century

A.D. 1201—1300
13th Century

A.D. 1201—1300
13th Century

A.D. 1301—1400
14th Century

A.D. 1301—1400
14th Century

A.D. 1401—1500
15th Century

A.D. 1401—1500
15th Century

A.D. 1501—1600
16th Century

A.D. 1501—1600
16th Century

A.D. 1601—1700
17th Century

A.D. 1601—1700
17th Century

A.D. 1701—1800
18th Century

A.D. 1701—1800
18th Century

A.D. 1801—1900
19th Century

A.D. 1801—1900
19th Century

A.D. 1901—2000
20th Century

A.D. 1901—2000
20th Century

A.D. 2001—2100
21st Century

A.D. 2001—2100
21st Century