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## COVID-19 Timeline

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- 1) With your partner, look over your assigned list of events (either pp. 4-5, pp. 6-7, or pp. 8-9). Circle 4-5 events you think are important.
- 2) Then answer the questions below.

What is one event that you circled as important but were unsure about?	Justify why you chose to circle that event in the end.
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What is one event that you <b>did not</b> circle as important on your timeline, but strongly considered?	Justify why you <b>did not</b> circle that event in the end.
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- 3) Add these important events, in order, to the boxes on top of the timeline ("Events in the country and world") on the next page. You can draw a line from each box to the approximate place on the timeline when the event occurred.

# Timeline of 2020-early 2021

Events in the country and world

A grid of six empty rounded rectangular boxes with a purple border, arranged in two rows of three. The top row boxes are positioned above the timeline line, and the bottom row boxes are positioned below it.

January 1, 2020      April 1, 2020      July 1, 2020      October 1, 2020      January 1, 2021      July 1, 2021

A grid of six empty rounded rectangular boxes with a green border, arranged in two rows of three. The top row boxes are positioned above the timeline line, and the bottom row boxes are positioned below it.

Events in my life

Your teacher may have you add events in your life to the bottom half of the timeline (next to “Events in my life”).

When you are done with your timeline, answer the following questions:

What, if any, events did you think were important to include, but were not listed as an option?

What new questions do you have?

What possible connections do you see between the events on the timeline?

**News Events Related to the COVID-19 Pandemic**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>		<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
12/31/19	First cases of pneumonia from unknown cause in China		5/29/20	New Zealand celebrates one week without COVID-19.
1/7/20	A new coronavirus is identified.		6/3/20	Operation Warp Speed identifies five companies as having particularly promising vaccines in development.
1/21/20	First confirmed case in the United States		6/26/20	Texas and Florida temporarily reverse reopenings.
1/29/20	President Donald Trump establishes the President's Coronavirus Task Force.		7/8/20	United States hits 3 million cases as cases surge in the South.
2/8/20	First COVID-19 death in the United States		7/24/20	Some medical experts call for renewed lockdowns as the United States approaches 150,000 deaths.
3/11/20	COVID-19 outbreak declared a pandemic		8/5/20	Schools start reopening in some states; others stay online.
3/13/20	Several states announce "temporary" school closures		9/26/20	The United Kingdom partially locks down as new infections hit 6,000 a day.
3/16/20	First experimental vaccine given; experts recommend Americans avoid gatherings of 10 or more people.		10/1/20	Boston, among other major cities, starts reopening schools.
3/19/20	California issues a stay-at-home order; other states follow.		10/2/20	President Donald Trump and First Lady Melania Trump test positive for COVID-19, as do others in White House; all recover.
4/3/20	Cloth face coverings recommended by the CDC		10/28/20	France and Germany announce new partial lockdowns.
4/24/20	First state reopenings start		11/7/20	White House Chief of Staff and several others test positive for COVID-19 after an election night party.
4/26/20	Tyson Foods and other meat processors shut plants due to employee outbreaks/deaths. Meat shortages follow.		11/9/20	Pfizer vaccine 90% effective in early Phase 3 trials, schools scale back openings in some states as cases skyrocket
5/1/20	Remdesivir approved for emergency use		11/30/20	New COVID-19 infections worldwide fall for the first time since September.
5/11/20	France reopens stores and some schools.		11/30/20	White House advisor Dr. Deborah Birx urges Americans who traveled for Thanksgiving to get tested.
5/15/20	President Trump announces the Operation Warp Speed initiative to speed vaccine development and distribution.		12/11/20	Pfizer vaccine approved for emergency use, Moderna's approved a week later. The first health care workers start receiving vaccines within days.

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
12/14/20	The United Kingdom discovers a new virus variant, which will later be called the "Alpha" variant.
12/16/20	Germany enters a "hard lockdown" through January 10 to allow for safe, but tightly controlled, travel around Christmas.
12/22/20	Taiwan reports its first local case in more than 250 days.
12/29/20	The faster-spreading Alpha variant is found in Colorado.
1/4/21	Much of the United Kingdom returns to lockdown.
1/18/21	Kaiser Health News notes that Black Americans are being vaccinated at dramatically lower rates than white Americans.
2/1/21	For the first time, more Americans are vaccinated against COVID-19 than infected with COVID-19.
2/23/21	The faster-spreading variant that will be known as Delta is identified in the United States for the first time.
2/27/21	The single-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine is given emergency approval for adults.
2/28/21	Former President Trump gives a speech in which he urges his supporters to get vaccinated.

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3/10/21	Texas fully reopens, including removing all statewide mask mandates.
3/29/21	States begin to expand eligibility for COVID-19 vaccines to all adults.
4/8/21	The Alpha variant is now the most common COVID-19 variant in the United States.
5/13/21	The Pfizer vaccine is approved for emergency use for 12- to 15-year-olds.
5/13/21	The CDC changes its guidance to say that vaccinated people do not need to wear masks in most situations.
5/18/21	Texas issues an order banning school districts and local governments from requiring masks; several other states follow.
6/6/21	India announces that it will begin re-opening some states after several weeks of lockdown.
6/25/21	The World Health Organization recommends that vaccinated people continue to wear masks to fight the spread of the Delta variant.
6/30/21	The Delta variant is now the most common COVID-19 variant in the United States.
7/8/21	Dr. Anthony Fauci says that studies show the vaccines in use in the United States are effective against known variants.

### Effects of the Pandemic and Other News Events

Date	Event
1/1/20	Million-person pro-democracy march in Hong Kong
1/2/20	Wildfires rage in Australia.
1/16/20	Donald Trump's impeachment trial begins; ends 2/5
2/3/20	Bernie Sanders wins Iowa Democratic caucuses.
2/19/20	Stock exchange closes at record high.
2/28/20	Largest week-long stock market decline since 2008
2/29/20	Unemployment rate 3.5%
3/2/20	Tornadoes hit Kentucky, Tennessee, and Alabama
3/3/20	Joe Biden favorite for nomination after Super Tuesday
3/9/20	Earthquakes in Puerto Rico leave 4 dead.
3/20/20	Tax Day moved back to July 15 from April 15
3/26/20	Protests begin after Breonna Taylor killed by police and continue when George Floyd killed by police on May 25, 2020.
3/27/20	President signs \$2 trillion stimulus package.
4/2/20	United States Department of Labor reports a record 6.6 million Americans filed for unemployment last week.
4/3/20	Businesses can start applying for Paycheck Protection Program Loans.
4/7/20	Wisconsin primary voters face lengthy lines as courts stop the governor from pushing back the date due to COVID-19.

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4/8/20	Bernie Sanders suspends campaign, endorses Biden.
4/13/20	First \$1,200 stimulus checks sent out
4/28/20	Meat and poultry processors ordered to remain open despite employee cases.
5/1/20	Employees of several large companies stage "sickout" protests over COVID-19 protections.
6/5/20	Employment found to have risen by 2.5 million in May.
6/8/20	Midland, MI dams fail due to heavy rains.
6/13/20	The Bush Fire starts in Arizona, will burn 300 square miles
8/4/20	Explosion in a fertilizer warehouse in Beirut, Lebanon
8/10/20	Derecho winds cause \$7.5 billion in crop and building damage in Iowa and other Midwestern states.
8/16/20	August Complex fire starts in California, will become the largest wildfire in state history
8/17/20	Democratic Party has mostly virtual convention, Republican Party follows with partially virtual event
8/23/20	Protests re-invigorated and pro athletes strike in protest of the police shooting of Jacob Blake.
8/29/20	Hurricane Laura begins a path of devastation, will kill 77 and cause \$14.1 billion in damage.
9/4/20	Eviction ban extended through end of year for most people
9/17/20	Monsoon floods devastate southeast Asia.
9/18/20	Longtime Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg dies.

### Effects of the Pandemic and Other News Events

Date	Event
10/8/20	14 men arrested in plot to kidnap Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer over her COVID-19 response.
10/14/20	Colorado's Cameron Peak Fire becomes the largest in state history, breaking a record set in August.
10/26/20	Amy Coney Barrett confirmed as Supreme Court Justice.
11/3/20	Election Day; no clear winner at end of evening
11/7/20	Joe Biden and Kamala Harris projected election winners; Harris first woman and woman of color to be elected VP
12/6/20	Florida Department of Law Enforcement raids the home of a scientist who says she was fired for not altering COVID-19 data on the state's website.
12/14/20	Joe Biden wins the official Electoral College vote 306-232; cyberattack against United States agencies and businesses discovered
1/6/21	Rioters storm the United States Capitol and interrupt the process of certifying the presidential elections by Congress; the results are certified after a delay of several hours and the events of the day result in more than 140 injuries and five deaths.
4/11/21	Widespread protests start again in Minnesota after Daunte Wright is killed during a traffic stop.
4/21/21	Former police officer Derek Chauvin is found guilty of murdering George Floyd.
5/22/21	A ceasefire is called in the conflict between Israeli and Palestinian forces.

Date	Event
2/1/21	Myanmar's military overthrows the elected government, sparking widespread protests.
2/9/21	President Trump's second impeachment trial begins, ending 2/13.
2/15/21	Power outages begin in Texas and elsewhere across the south after an unusually large winter storm.
3/11/21	President Joe Biden signs the \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan Act.
3/19/21	The Fagradalsfjall volcano in Iceland begins to erupt.
3/23/21	A ship becomes stuck in the Suez Canal in Egypt and will stop traffic through the canal for a week.
4/9/21	Prince Phillip of the United Kingdom dies
5/20/21	The COVID-19 Hate Crimes Act is signed into law after increased anti-Asian violence during the pandemic.
5/29/21	The remains of 215 children were found at the Kamloops Indian Residential School in Canada, sparking a nationwide discussion about Canada's treatment of First Nations people.
6/24/21	A condo building collapses in Florida, killing a still-unknown number of people.
6/28/21	The Pacific Northwest experiences a record-breaking heat wave.

### Events in Sports, Art, and Entertainment

Date	Event
1/26/20	Billie Eilish is the first artist to win awards in four major Grammy categories in the same year since 1981; Kobe Bryant and eight others die in a helicopter crash.
2/2/20	Kansas City Chiefs defeat San Francisco 49ers in Super Bowl.
2/9/20	<i>Parasite</i> wins Best Picture Oscar (first non-English film to do so).
3/11/20	NBA suspends all games; MLB, MLS, NHL follow next day.
3/12/20	Museums in NYC and Washington, DC close.
3/15/20	Women's and men's college basketball seasons cancelled.
3/16/20	Major United States movie theater chains announce closures.
3/17/20	American Library Association recommends closures.
3/19/20	Emmy Awards postponed
3/30/20	Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games rescheduled to July 2021; <i>Animal Crossing: New Horizons</i> released
3/21/20	DJ D-Nice broadcasts Club Quarantine on Instagram Live.
4/12/20	Taiwan's baseball league is the first pro league to restart.
5/16/20	"Graduate Together: America Honors the High School Class of 2020" airs across major television networks and online.
5/17/20	NASCAR returns with limited fans.
7/1/20	<i>Hamilton</i> is released straight to Disney+ platform.

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7/8/20	The MLS re-starts in a "bubble."
7/20/20	Twitch streamer Chance Morris popularizes Among Us
7/23/20	MLB starts season at home stadiums, without fans
7/25/20	WNBA starts season in a "bubble", NBA follows
8/1/20	NHL restarts in two "hub" cities in Canada.
8/14/20	President Donald Trump signs executive order to ban TikTok if it is not sold to an American company.
9/3/20	<i>Tenet</i> is the first film to launch in many theaters in months.
9/4/20	<i>Mulan</i> is released straight to Disney+ platform.
9/10/20	NFL season starts; NFL and college fall sports vary in fan policies and some colleges' seasons are delayed/cancelled.
9/12/20	Naomi Osaka wins second US Open tennis title and protests police violence with masks worn before each match.
9/20/20	2020 Emmy Awards held with no live audience.
9/28/20	The Tampa Bay Lightning defeat the Dallas Stars for the NHL title.
10/6/20	The Seattle Storm defeat the Las Vegas Aces for the WNBA title.
10/11/20	The Los Angeles Lakers defeat the Miami Heat for the NBA title.
10/27/20	The Los Angeles Dodgers defeat the Tampa Bay Rays in the World Series.



**Events in Sports, Art, and Entertainment**

Date	Event
11/12/20	PlayStation 5 released
11/28/20	Vanderbilt soccer player Sarah Fuller becomes the first woman to play in a major conference football game, taking on kicking duties after COVID-19 hits the team.
11/29/20	Denver Broncos start a practice squad wide receiver at quarterback after all 4 quarterbacks are exposed to the COVID-19 virus.
12/3/20	Warner Bros. announces it will launch all 2021 films on HBO Max and in theaters at the same time.
12/16/20	MLB acknowledges Negro Leagues as true major leagues.
1/29/21	The stock of video game seller GameStop reaches an all-time high due to an Internet-driven buying frenzy.
2/7/21	Tampa Bay Buccaneers defeat Kansas City Chiefs in the Super Bowl.
3/20/21	Olympic organizers announce that the rescheduled Summer Olympic Games will move forward, but with fans from outside Japan banned.
4/4/21	Stanford defeats Arizona in the women's college basketball tournament to win the title; Baylor defeats Gonzaga the next day for the men's championship
4/24/21	The Los Angeles Dodgers offer a special section with no distancing to vaccinated fans.
4/25/21	<i>Soul</i> wins the Oscar for Animated Best Feature without having ever aired in theaters in the United States due to the pandemic.

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5/17/21	The Tokyo Doctors Association urges organizers to cancel the Olympics.
5/30/21	The Indianapolis 500 race is held with 40% capacity (135,000 fans) and a mask requirement, making it the largest gathering of the pandemic in the United States.
6/2/21	NBA arenas have several incidents of bad fan behavior as crowds return.
6/3/21	Duke men's basketball coach Mike Krzyzewski announces he will retire after the 2021-2022 season.
6/10/21	<i>In the Heights</i> released in the United States in theaters and on HBO Max.
6/29/21	The WNBA announces that 99% of players are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and no players have had COVID-19 since the season began in May.
6/30/21	The NCAA votes to allow college athletes to make money through endorsements and other deals.
7/4/21	Shohei Ohtani becomes the first player to be selected to the MLB All-Star Game as both a pitcher and position player since 1933.
7/7/21	Tampa Bay Lightning defeat the Montreal Canadiens for their second straight Stanley Cup title.
7/8/21	Japan declares a state of emergency, banning all fans from the upcoming Summer Olympic Games.
7/8/21	14-year-old Zalia Avant-garde wins the first Scripps National Spelling Bee held in two years by correctly spelling "murraya."