

NEIL ARMSTRONG TIMELINE ACTIVITY

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After reading the story, have your students go back through and find 12 important events with dates. These events make up Neil Armstrong's timeline.

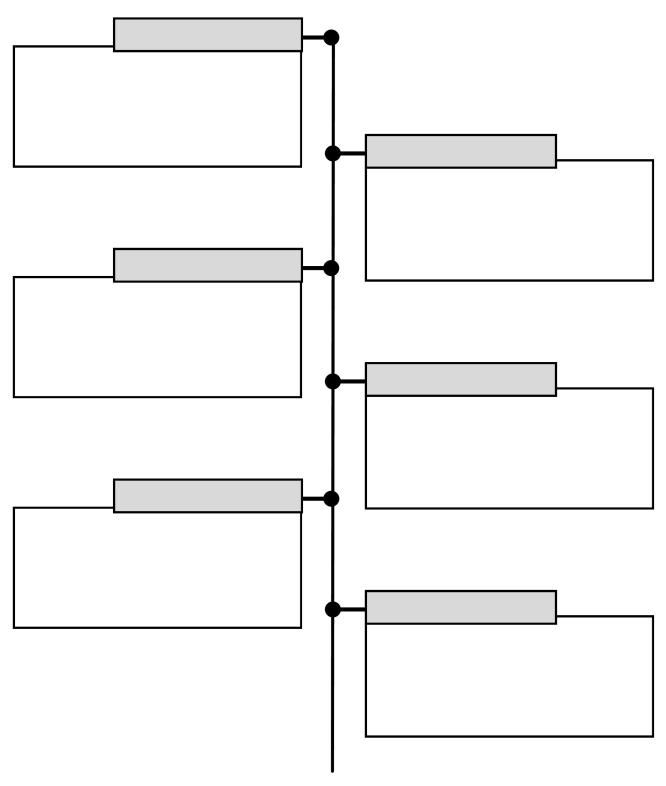
Once they've found all 12, challenge them to put the events in the correct order on the included timeline pages. It's a great way to build reading comprehension and sequencing skills while learning history.

Here are 13 timeline facts they can find in the story:

- August 5, 1930 Neil Armstrong was born in Wapakoneta, Ohio.
- 1936 (age 6) Took his first airplane ride and fell in love with flying.
- 1945 (age 15) Earned his pilot's license before he could drive a car.
- 1947 Started studying aerospace engineering at Purdue University.
- 1950–1952 Flew 78 combat missions as a Navy pilot during the Korean War.
- 1955 Finished his college degree after military service.
- 1962 Selected by NASA as an astronaut.
- March 16, 1966 Flew his first space mission on Gemini 8, handled an emergency.
- July 16, 1969 Apollo 11 launched for the Moon.
- **July 20, 1969** Became the first person to walk on the Moon, said his famous quote, and needed a passport to return to Earth.
- July 24, 1969 Returned safely to Earth, landing in the Pacific Ocean.
- 1971 Retired from NASA and became a professor.
- August 25, 2012 Neil Armstrong passed away.

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