DUAL TIMELINE

This timeline is to be done on 6” X 18” white drawing paper. I will give you the paper. You will need a black fine-line pen and colored pencils. Look at the following page for a sample of a timeline.

THE LINE AND YEARS

1) Measure down 3 ½ “ from the top of the paper and draw a light pencil line across the width of the paper. This will be the base line on which you set the years.

2) Begin with the person’s birth, then mark the timeline in even intervals of two or five years till you get to the end of the line (which should be your person’s death). Label the years. You may have to add a few years to the front or the back in order to get this to come out right.

3) The top half of the line should show all the important events in your character’s own life. You will need captions and pictures.

THE TITLE

4) Measure down ¼” from the top of the paper and ¾” from the top of the paper. Draw two lines across the length of the paper. This will be the guidelines for your title.

5) Center your title in neat large lettering at the top. Use pencil first, then go over it in black fine-line pen.

THE TOP

6) On the top of this timeline, you are to place all the important events in your person’s life. This is personal information, pertaining only to your character.

THE BOTTOM

7) The bottom half of the timeline should have all the important events that took place in the world while your character was alive.

CAUTION:
Both the top and the bottom of the timeline need captions and illustrations. Does EVERYTHING need to be captioned? YES. Does everything have to be illustrated? MAYBE. It’s up to you. Your goal is to make this look complete. Look at the samples I have displayed on the back bulletin board. If they look as complete as those and are as neat, you will get a good grade. All work should be in ink, colored pencils should be used, and, of course, you must use a black fine-line pen. Be sure to erase your pencil lines.