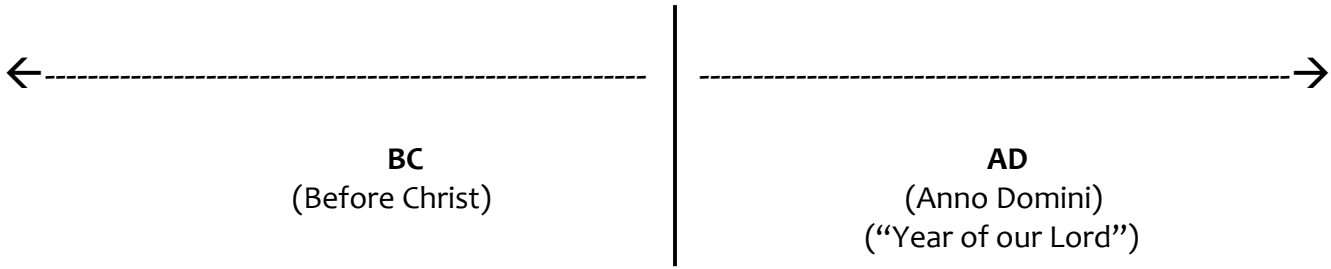


# “Time” for Historians!



[Used by predominantly Christian historians]



[Used by more modern historians to be sensitive to non-Christians]

**BP**  
(Before Present)

**MYA/mya** = million years ago (used by geologists, archeologists)

Decade = 10 years

Century = 100 years

Millennium = 1,000 years

If you don't see any letters, assume it's AD/CE.

## Centuries

To measure centuries, think of it like your birthday. You go through a whole year before you are given your first number of age. (You are not born 1 years old.) Many of you are in your 12<sup>th</sup> year, but you're not 12 yet. Centuries have to go through an entire hundred years before they are given their number.

AD/CE:

2001-2100	21 <sup>st</sup> century
1901-2000	20 <sup>th</sup> century (mostly 1900s)
1801-1900	19 <sup>th</sup> century (mostly 1800s)
1701-1800	18 <sup>th</sup> century (mostly 1700s)
1601-1700	17 <sup>th</sup> century (mostly 1600s)
1501-1600	16 <sup>th</sup> century (mostly 1500s)
1401-1500	15 <sup>th</sup> century (mostly 1400s)
1301-1400	14 <sup>th</sup> century (mostly 1300s)
1201-1300	13 <sup>th</sup> century (mostly 1200s)
1101-1200	12 <sup>th</sup> century (mostly 1100s)
1001-1100	11 <sup>th</sup> century
901-1000	10 <sup>th</sup> century (mostly 900s)
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401- 500	5 <sup>th</sup> century (mostly 400s)
301- 400	4 <sup>th</sup> century (mostly 300s)
201- 300	3 <sup>rd</sup> century (mostly 200s)
101- 200	2 <sup>nd</sup> century (mostly 100s)
1- 100	1 <sup>st</sup> century

BC/BCE:

1- 100	1 <sup>st</sup> century BC(E)
101- 200	2 <sup>nd</sup> century BC(E) (mostly 100s)
201- 300	3 <sup>rd</sup> century BC(E) (mostly 200s)
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## Millennium

- year 1 to year 1000 = 1<sup>st</sup> millennium
- year 1001 to year 2000 = 2<sup>nd</sup> millennium
- year 2001 to year 3000 = 3<sup>rd</sup> millennium

**Chronology**: the order in which things happen

**Time**: the indefinite continued progress of existence and events in the past, present, and future regarded as a whole; a system for measuring duration

Ms. Schaedler's favorite definition of time: Nature's way of keeping everything from happening at once!