

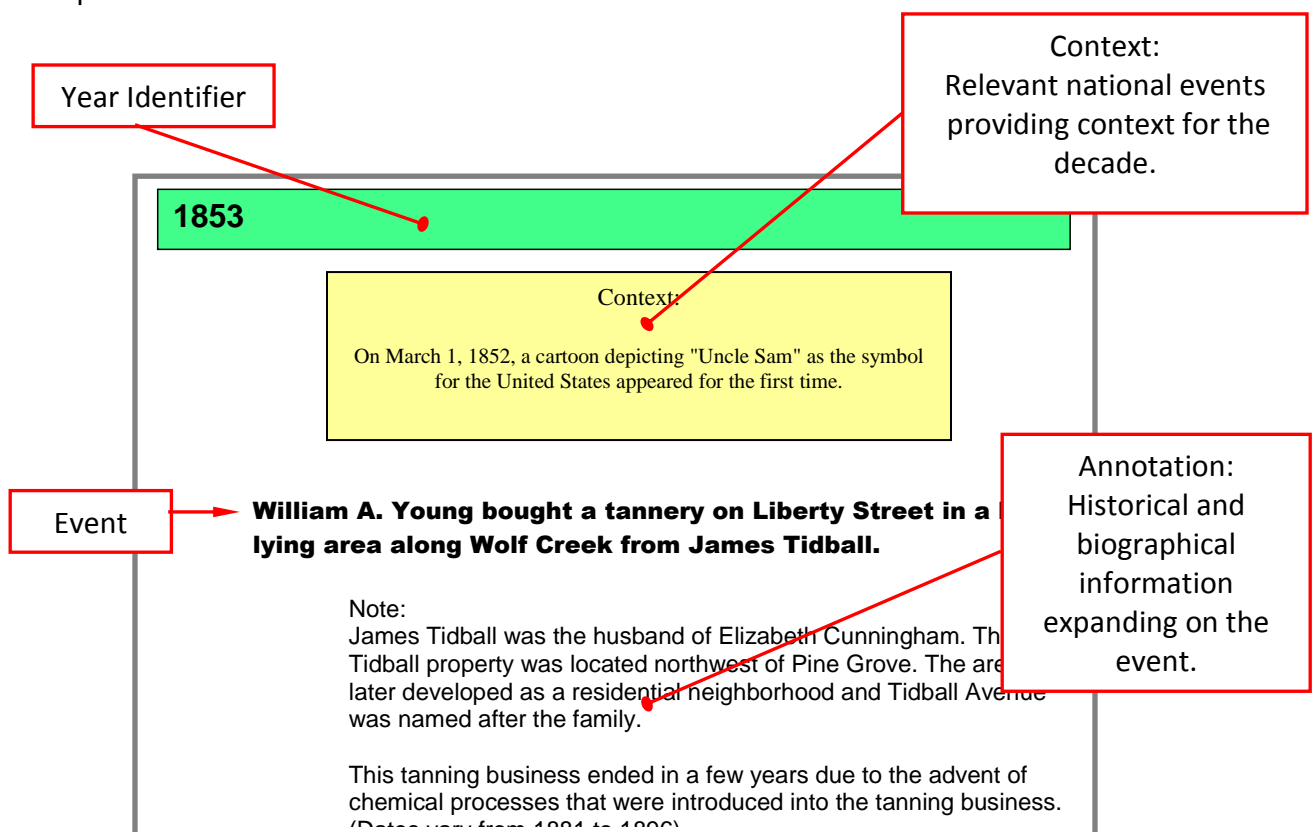
Features of the Annotated Timeline Format

A chronological timeline tends to scatter the elements of an ongoing story as they unfold, making it difficult to understand the comprehensive picture and significance of a development.

The annotated timeline format addresses this issue by providing for the inclusion of relevant information at selected points in time. The chronological timeline presentation of events highlights the developmental aspects of the community. The annotations provide supporting information and explanations to enrich the understanding of the events.

Format of the Timeline

This annotated timeline is organized chronologically by decades, beginning in 1790s continuing to the present. Each decade is further subdivided by year. This insert illustrates the format developed for the timeline:



Use of the Timeline

Reading the events provides a quick overview. However, in many instances it does not explain the relevance of the event. The annotated format allows the reader to decide if additional information is relevant to him or her. The reader can choose whether or not to read any accompanying annotation.