

My personal timeline mini-unit.

I hope you enjoy my personal timeline mini-unit. This unit was created as an easy introduction to timelines and the concept of “history” for my children. It is intended as a pictorial representation of their lives and also a snapshot of them at their current age.

Printing instructions:

Print all required pages. This will be one copy of the heading page, 1 copy of an “about me at age...” page, one copy of the first timeline page “I am born this year”, and multiple copies of the second timeline page depending on the age of the child. Note that the “About me at age ...” page is included twice to reflect British (p 6) and US (p 7) spelling variations, print the relevant page only.

For the timeline one copy of the first timeline page “I am born this year” (p 8) is required and multiple copies of the second timeline page (p 9) depending on the age of the child; this will be the same number of copies as their age for children who have already celebrated their birthday in the current calendar year or age + 1 for children yet to celebrate their birthday this year. For example a child who turned 6 this calendar year needs 7 timeline pages (1 copy of first timeline page, p8, and 6 of second, p9) while a 4 year old turning 5 this year requires 6 pages (1 of the first timeline page and 4+1 of the second).

Other equipment required:

- 1 Manilla folder per child
- A few photos for the front cover (showing different ages is best), we used 3.
- Multiple small photos of your children at different ages (I cut and pasted ours into a table with 2 ½" square cells and used one photo approximately every 2 months since birth)
- Scissors and glue or double sided tape

Assembly instructions:

Assemble cover first. Cut out one copy of the heading and attach it to the top of your manilla folder (landscape orientation, the top edge will be at the fold). Attach the photos under the heading.



A completed cover

Open the manilla folder. The top half will have the “About me at age...” sheet. The child fills answers the questions and draws a self portrait in the box. Attach this sheet once it is completed.



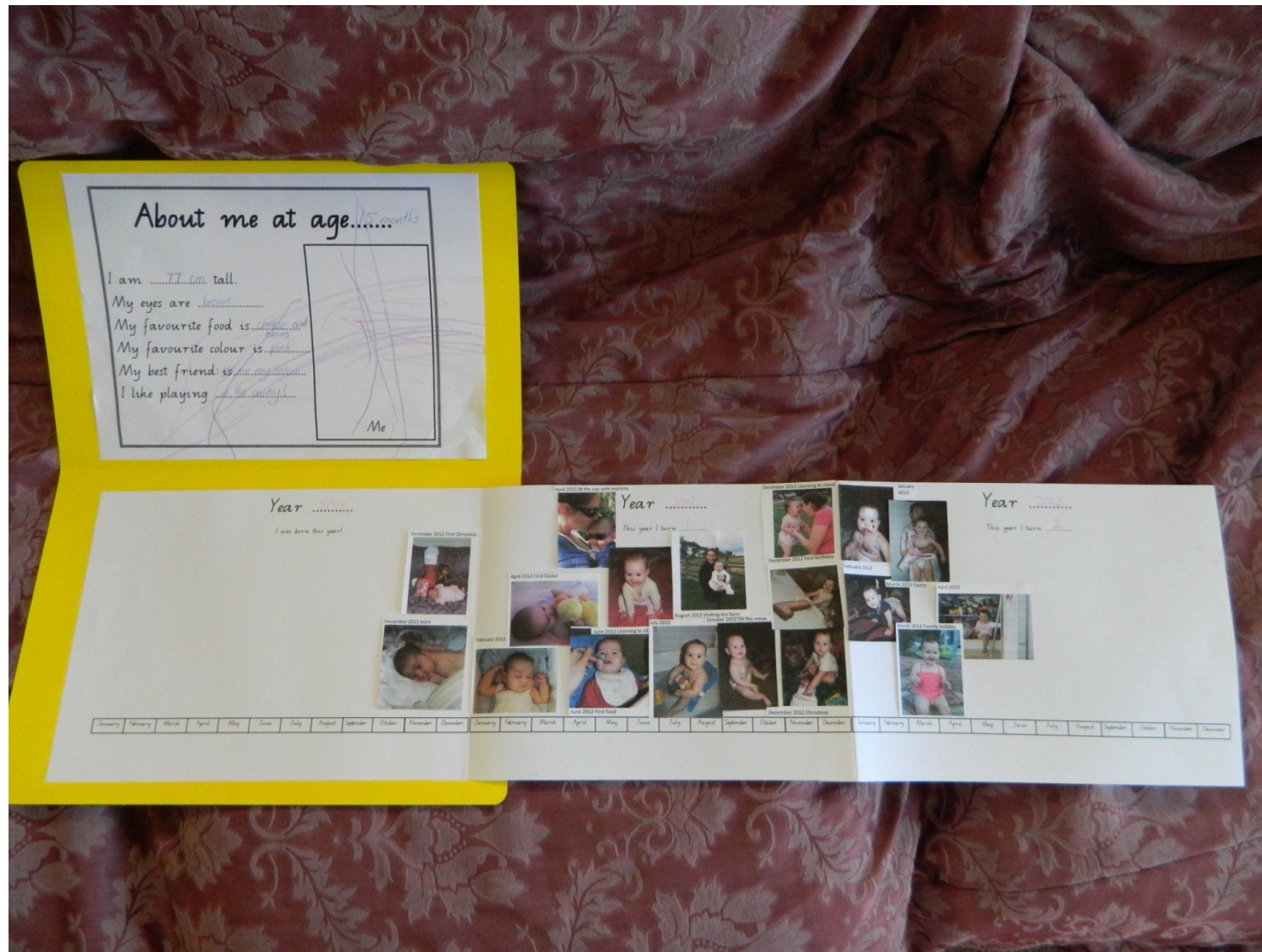
A completed about me page by my 4 year old

Next assemble the timeline. Make sure when assembling that the “I am born this year” sheet is on the left. Add one page at a time to the right by overlapping the ends until all the pages are attached end to end. (I cut off the little strip of white paper after December each year, this does make it flow better but is not really necessary). Then fold the timeline “concertina” style at each join so that it fits inside the manilla folder cover.

Fill in the year and age on the top of each timeline page.

Cut out photos and paste in the appropriate space on the timeline. Add notations if desired or just leave as a pictorial timeline.

Attach the completed timeline to the bottom of the manilla folder and you are done!



A completed timeline for my 15 month old, note the gorgeous “self portrait” lol. Well it does show her current drawing ability at any rate.

My timeline

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About me at age.....

I am tall.

My eyes are

My favourite food is.....

My favourite colour is.....

My best friend is.....

I like playing

Me

About me at age.....

I am tall.

My eyes are

My favorite food is.....

My favorite color is.....

My best friend is.....

I like playing

Me

Year

I am born this year!

<i>January</i>	<i>February</i>	<i>March</i>	<i>April</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>June</i>	<i>July</i>	<i>August</i>	<i>September</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>November</i>	<i>December</i>
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Year

This year I turn

<i>January</i>	<i>February</i>	<i>March</i>	<i>April</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>June</i>	<i>July</i>	<i>August</i>	<i>September</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>November</i>	<i>December</i>
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