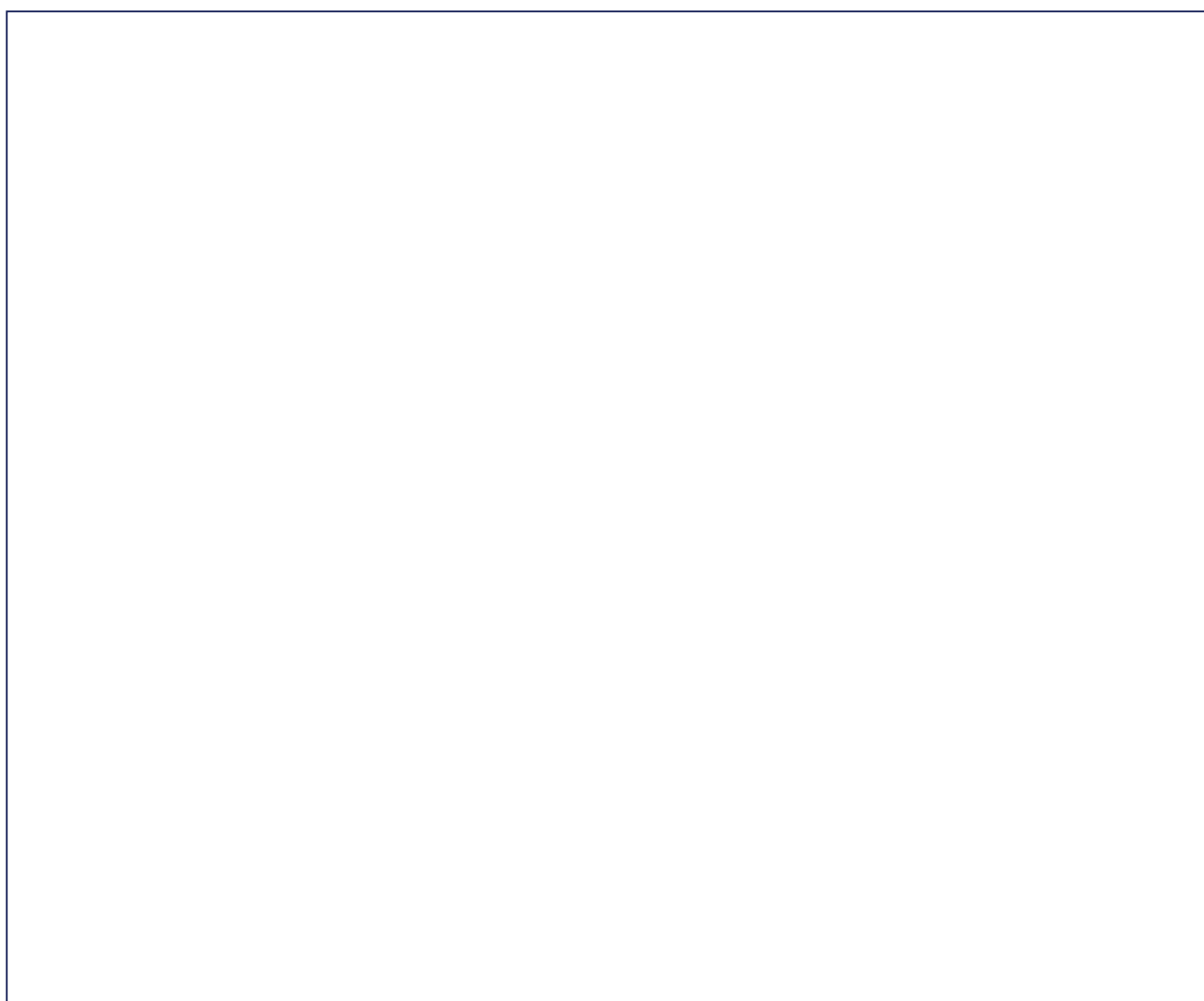


Mapping a Life: Biography Illustration

Learning objective: To visually represent the key life events and chronological structure of a person's life through a biographical timeline map.

Use the drawing space below to create a 'Life Map' for a famous historical figure or an influential person of your choice. A biography is a chronological account of someone's life, so your drawing should clearly show the journey from their early beginnings to their greatest achievements.

Draw: Draw a winding path across the page that represents a timeline. Along the path, include four distinct 'islands' or 'nodes': 1) Early Years (draw a symbol for their childhood home or birthplace), 2) Turning Point (a symbol representing a challenge they overcame), 3) Peak Achievement (a grand symbol for their greatest success), and 4) Legacy (a symbol showing how they are remembered today). Use labels from the word bank to annotate your path. The style should be clear and descriptive, like an explorer's map.



Label words: Chronological · Legacy · Milestone · Early Life · Major Achievement · Influential · Adversity · Biographical

Steps:

1. Identify three significant milestones you have chosen to include on your map and explain why they are essential to understanding the person's life story.

2. If you were to add a symbol to represent the person's personality, what would it be? Justify your choice based on the evidence of their character.
3. Compare and contrast the early life stage of your subject with their later achievements. How did their background shape their future?
4. Explain why it is important for a biographer to include both successes and challenges when writing about a person's life.
5. What might happen if a biography was written without following a chronological order? How would this affect the reader's understanding?
6. Justify your decision to include a specific 'legacy' section at the end of your map. Why does this conclude the story effectively?