

Measuring Time - AD and BC

In the Christian calendar years are shown as either AD or BC and this starts from the time of the birth of Jesus. AD stands for 'Anno Domini' which means 'the year of our lord' (it does NOT mean 'After Death'). Therefore the year 2004 is two thousand and four years after the birth of Jesus. BC stands for 'Before Christ' for example the Roman Empire was set up in 753BC which means seven hundred and fifty three years before Jesus was born.

Task:

1. Write down the meaning of AD. Give an example of a year which is AD
2. Write down the meaning of BC. Give an example of a year which is BC

Task:

Put the following events in the correct **CHRONOLOGICAL** order, that is the order in which they happened starting with the earliest event first:

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| ? | 55 BC | The Romans invaded Britain |
| ? | 2003 | Arsenal went undefeated for the entire season |
| ? | 1914 | World War One started |
| ? | 1085 | The Domesday Book was written |
| ? | 1666 | the Great Fire of London |
| ? | 1170 | Thomas Becket was murdered in Canterbury |
| ? | 1833 | Slavery was abolished in the British Empire |
| ? | 1066 | The Normans invaded England |
| ? | 1918 | Women over 30 were given the vote |
| ? | 1507 | John Blanke a Black trumpeter lived in Henry VII's court |
| ? | 700 BC | The Celts lived in Britain |
| ? | 1892 | Dadabhai Naoroji became the first Asian Member of Parliament |