

HOW TO USE TIMELINE JS

Create Interactive and Visual Timelines Easily

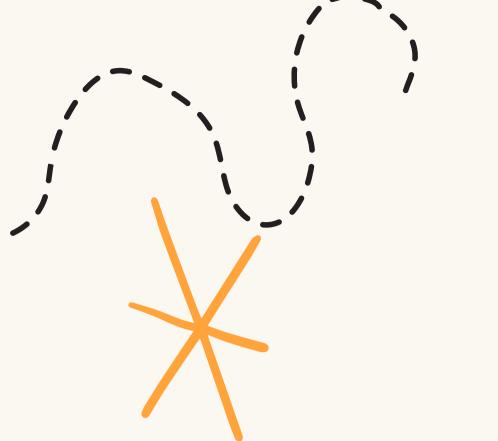
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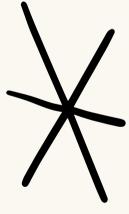
WHAT IS An open-source tool for creating interactive timelines. TIMELINE JS2 **Developed by Knight Lab.** Supports rich media content



like images, videos, and maps.

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 Key Features:
 User-friendly and intuitive interface.
 Customizable and visually appealing.
 Integrates with Google Sheets for easy data management.



Getting Started with Timeline JS

Step 1: Visit the Timeline JS Website

URL: https://timeline.knightlab.com/

Click on "Make a **Timeline**"



Download the provided Google Sheets template



DATE: THE

- START DATE: THE BEGINNING DATE OF THE EVENT.
- END DATE: THE END DATE OF THE EVENT (OPTIONAL).
- DISPLAY DATE: HOW THE DATE WILL APPEAR ON THE TIMELINE.



- HEADLINE: THE TITLE OF THE EVENT.
- TEXT: DESCRIPTION OF THE EVENT.
- MEDIA: URL OF THE MEDIA (IMAGE, VIDEO, ETC.).
- MEDIA CREDIT: SOURCE OR AUTHOR OF THE MEDIA.



- MEDIA CAPTION: A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE MEDIA.
- ADDITIONAL FIELDS:
 BACKGROUND
 COLOR, TEXT
 COLOR, GROUP, ETC.

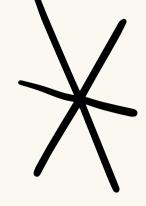
Understanding the Google Sheets Template

Media sources

TimelineJS can pull in media from a variety of sources.

Twitter, Flickr, YouTube, Vimeo, Vine, Dailymotion

Google Maps, Wikipedia, SoundCloud, **Document Cloud and more!**



Filling Out the Template

STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS:

Enter Dates: Input the start and end dates in the correct format (YYYY-MM-DD).

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Add Headlines and Text: Write a concise title and description for each event.

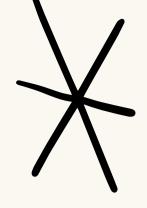
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Publishing Your Google Sheet

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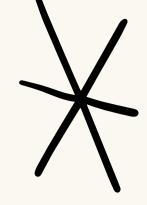
Go to File > Publish to the web in Google Sheets.

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Click on "Publish" and copy the URL provided.







Creating Your Timeline

Return to the Timeline JS Website.

Paste the Google Sheets URL into the appropriate field.

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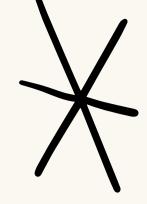
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Customize settings (language, start zoom level, etc.).

Click "Preview" to see your timeline.

If satisfied, copy the embed code or direct link to share.

STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS:



Customizing Your Timeline

CSS: Modify styles for a personalized look.

Use JSON configuration for advanced settings.

Tips:

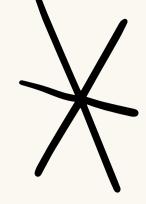
Ensure media files are accessible and properly credited.

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Keep text concise and clear for readability.

ADVANCED CUSTOMIZATIONS:





Examples and Inspiration SHOWCASE EXAMPLES:



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Project timelines.

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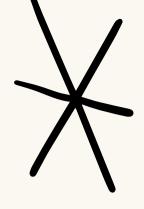
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Personal stories and journeys.

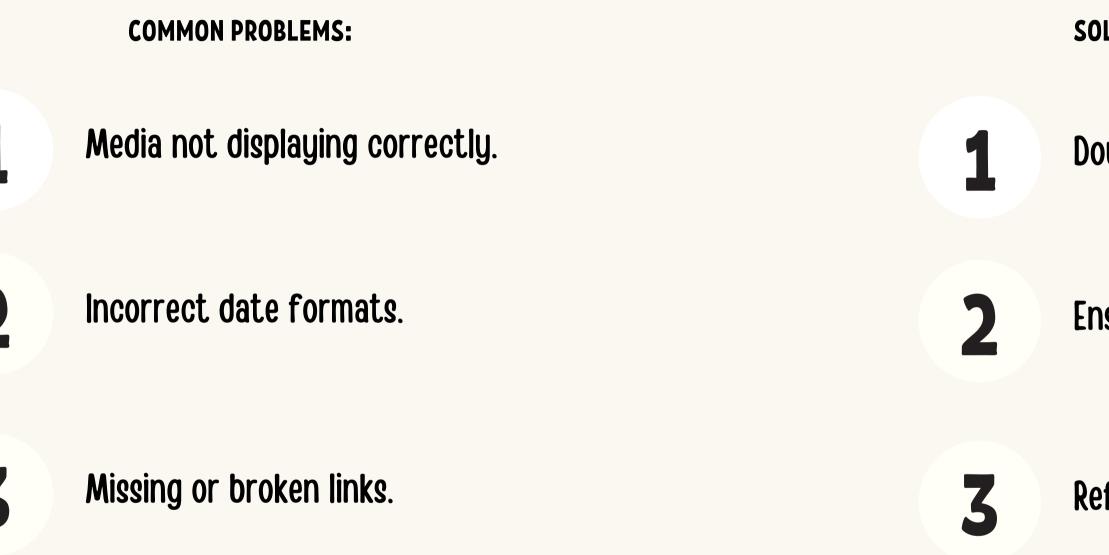
Discuss what makes these examples effective:

Clear dates, engaging media, and concise text.





Troubleshooting Common Issues







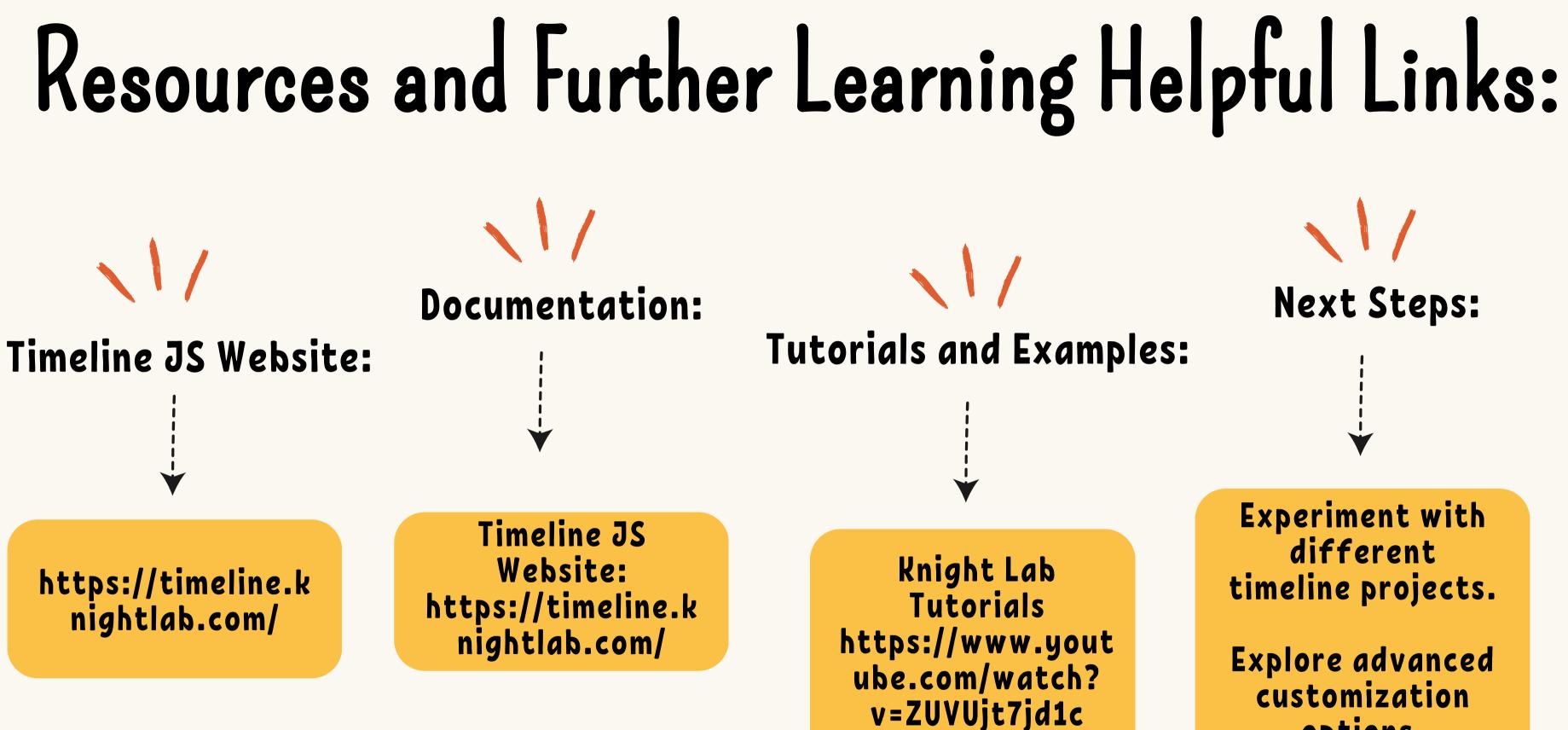
SOLUTIONS:

Double-check URLs and date formats.

Ensure all media is publicly accessible.

Refer to the Timeline JS documentation and FAQ.





Next Steps:

Experiment with different timeline projects.

Explore advanced customization options.

CONCLUSION CONCLUSION Timeline JS is a powerful tool for creating interactive timelines. Easy to use with Google Sheets. Offers a range of customization options.



Start creating your own timelines and share your stories visually.

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