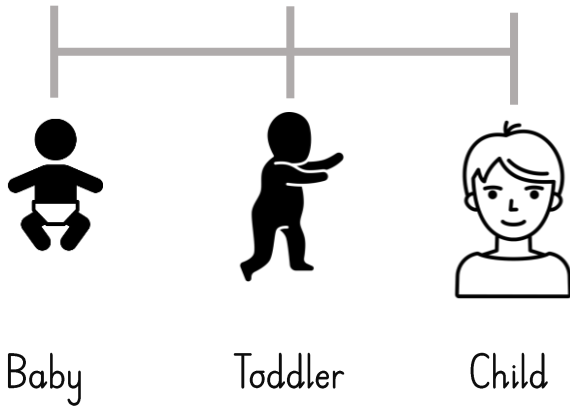


## Stages of Life Timeline



## Family Tree

A family tree is a way of displaying the relationship between a number of people within a family. It helps us to tell our family story and share information about our past. A family tree helps us to sequence information about our family, from the oldest to the youngest. You can use photos, drawings or words to help share information about your family.



## Life in the 1950s

**Shops:** There were different kinds of shops in the 1950s and people couldn't buy things online. Supermarkets were very new, so many people shopped at their local butcher's or greengrocer's. A milkman would also deliver glass bottles of fresh milk to people's doorsteps every day.

**Entertainment:** Television started to become popular in the 1950s, but many people listened to the radio. Going to the cinema was popular and rock and roll music also became well-liked in the 1950s. As there weren't many cars, streets were safer and so children played out there together. Popular games were board games, train sets and dolls' houses.

**Transport:** Many people couldn't afford to buy a car at the start of the 1950s, but by the end, new roads were built and more people were able to buy a car. Steam trains were popular until cars started to take over. Lots of people travelled by buses or trolleybuses which were powered by electric cables that hung over the roads.

**Jobs:** Many men had hard, dangerous jobs in factories, shipyards and coal mines. As there were more specialist shops, many people worked in shops as butchers, bakers, greengrocer's etc. Most women became housewives when they got married and stayed at home to cook, clean and look after the children. Children left school and started jobs at 15.

## Queen Elizabeth II's Coronation

In 1952, when she was 25, Elizabeth's father King George VI died. Elizabeth was in Kenya when she heard the sad news. She came home straight away and it was decided that Elizabeth would become queen. She became Queen Elizabeth II on 6<sup>th</sup> February 1952 and was crowned on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 1953. At the start of the decade, some families started to have televisions in their homes. The Queen's coronation was broadcasted by the BBC to countries around the world. 10.4 million people watched it from their own homes or the homes of friends or family. 1.5 million people watched it in public places, such as cinemas or pubs. This was the first time in history that more people watched television than listened to the radio and is thought to have led to more people buying their own television sets.



## Key Vocabulary



**ARTEFACT:** An historical object made by a human in the past.



**CHILDHOOD:** The period of a person's life when they are a child.



**CORONATION:** The ceremony at which a king or queen is crowned.



**DECADE:** A period of ten years.



**ENTERTAINMENT:** Activities that people enjoy, such as watching films, reading books or going to the theatre.



**PAST:** The time before the present, and the things that have happened.



**TRANSPORT:** A system for taking people or goods from one place to another.



**YESTERDAY:** The day before today.