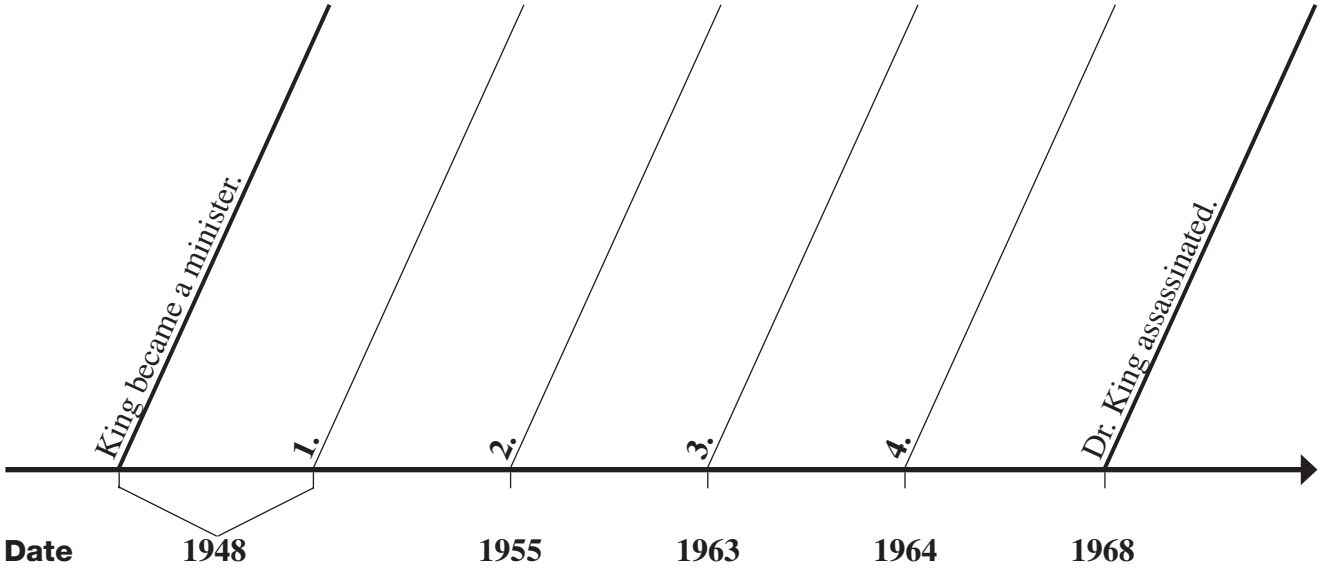
Sequence

- The **sequence** of events is the order in which they take place, from first to last.
- Clue words such as *first, next,* and *then* may show sequence in a story or article, but not always. Other clues are dates and times of day.
- Sometimes two events happen at the same time. Clue words that show this are *meanwhile* and *in that same year.*

Directions Read the following passage and complete the time line below.

The Reverend Martin Luther King Jr. is one of the heroes of freedom in America. In 1948, at the age of 19, King became a minister. That same year, he graduated from Morehouse College. He is best known, however, for his role in the civil rights movement. In 1955, he helped organize the Montgomery Bus Boycott. In 1963, he led the Freedom March on Washington, D.C. Because of his frequent participation in civil rights protests, he was arrested 30 times. In 1964, he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. Dr. King was assassinated in 1968.

Events in Martin Luther King's Life



5. Which two events happened at nearly the same time? How can you tell?

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Home Activity Your child read a short passage and made a time line of key events in the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Talk with your child about some of the important events in your own life. Create a time line to show the sequence of those events.