SUBJECT   History

LESSON TOPIC   The Rise of Napoleon Bonaparte

GRADE   12-18 years old

TOOL   Canva

ACTIVITY   Create a timeline with Canva

RESOURCES: Useful links to explain the study topic (The Rise of Napoleon Bonaparte) are included in the section "Resources" of the pedagogical sequence n°7.

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STEPS – GETTING STARTED

1. Go to the website: canva.com

2. Login or Sign Up: Top right, click on "Login" or "Sign Up" to create an account. You can sign up with Google, Facebook, your email, or another way (e.g., Microsoft, Clever, etc.).

3. Start: Once logged in, you will enter Canva's Homepage. All content is divided into various categories; for each category, you can find specific templates using the menu on the left. You can also search for specific content using the search bar. Top right, you can click on "Create a design" to start creating your project.
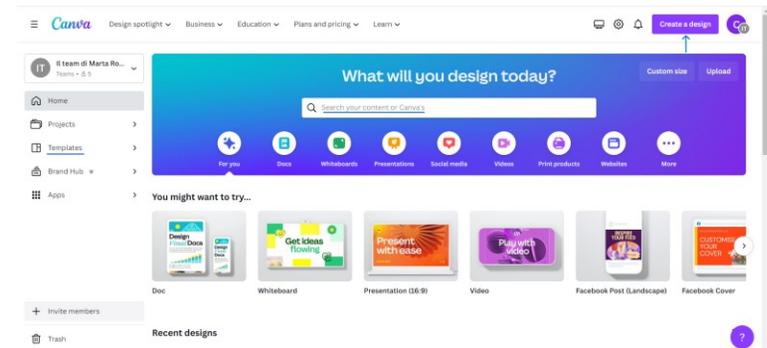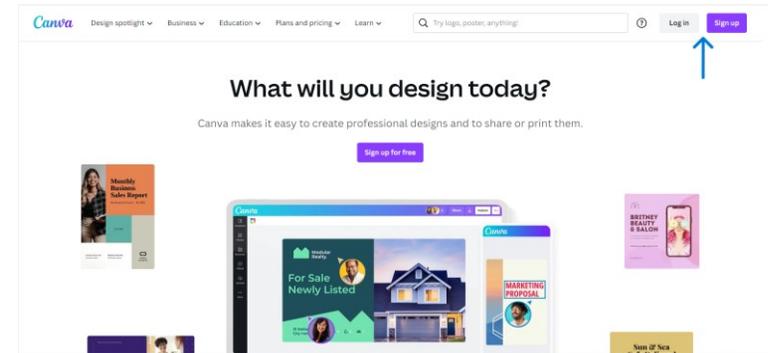
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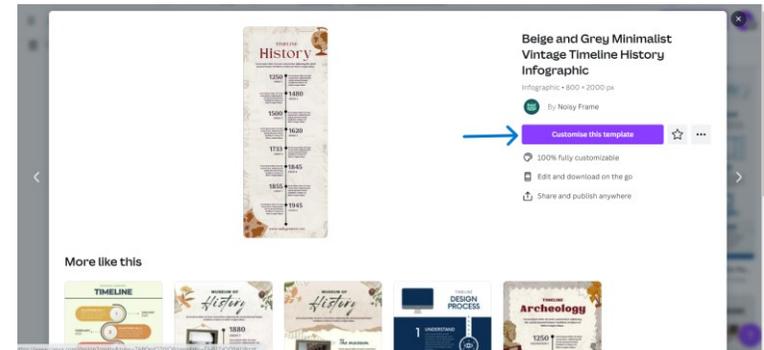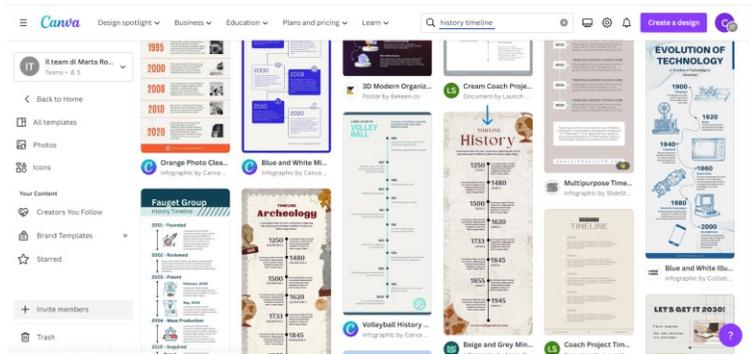
2. Start editing your project. All the elements (text, images, etc.) can be edited: you can change the font, colour, size, position, and even add effects and animations. You can add new elements by using the left black menu and change the project title by clicking on the space at the top.

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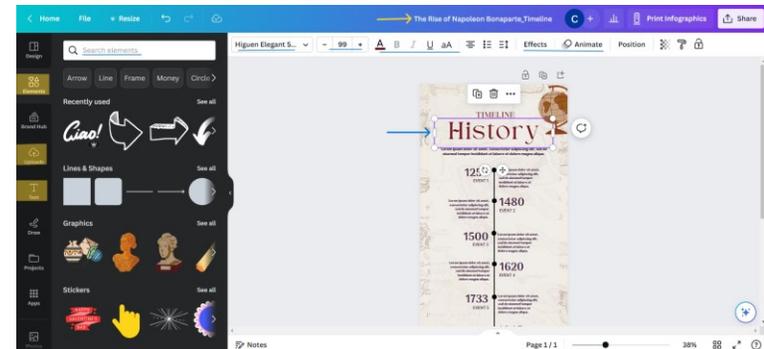
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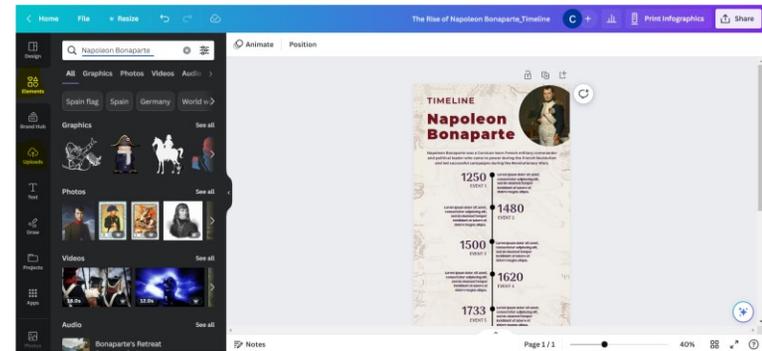
SAVE AND PUBLISH

1. All your changes and progress are automatically saved.

2. Once finished, click on "Share" at the top right: you can share it via social media or link. You can also download your project.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Check the timeline here.

TIMELINE

Napoleon Bonaparte

Napoleon Bonaparte was a Corsican-born French military commander and political leader who came to power during the French Revolution and led successful campaigns during the Revolutionary Wars.

1769
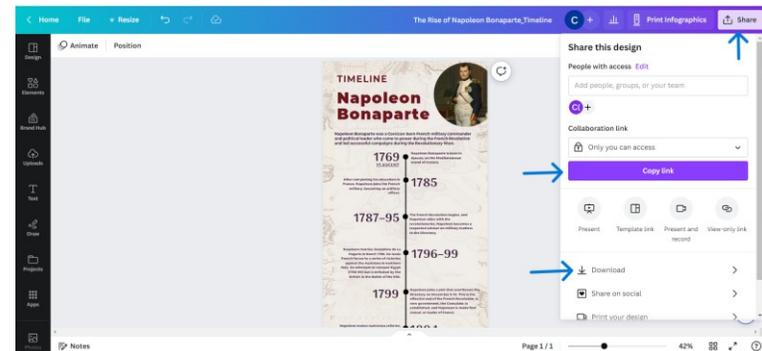15 AUGUST — Napoleon Bonaparte is born in Ajaccio, on the Mediterranean island of Corsica.

After completing his education in France, Napoleon joins the French military, becoming an artillery officer. — **1785**

1787–95 — The French Revolution begins, and Napoleon sides with the revolutionaries. Napoleon becomes a respected adviser on military matters to the Directory.

Napoleon marries Joséphine de La Pagerie in March 1796. He leads French forces to a series of victories against the Austrians in northern Italy. He attempts to conquer Egypt (1798-99) but is defeated by the British in the Battle of the Nile. — **1796–99**

1799 — Napoleon joins a plot that overthrows the Directory on November 9-10. This is the effective end of the French Revolution. A new government, the Consulate, is established, and Napoleon is made first consul, or leader of France.

Napoleon makes numerous reforms, including the Napoleonic Code that clarifies and unifies the laws of France. Napoleon declares France a hereditary empire and crowns himself emperor under the name Napoleon I. — **1804**

1805–09 — Napoleonic Wars: series of conflicts fought between the First French Empire under Napoleon and a fluctuating array of European coalitions.

Napoleon begins an ill-fated invasion of Russia but is forced to retreat due to winter. Allied forces invade France, capturing Paris on March 1814. Napoleon is forced to abdicate in April and is exiled to the island of Elba. Then, after the Battle of Waterloo, Napoleon abdicates for the last time and is exiled to Saint Helena. — **1812–15**

1821
5 MAY — Napoleon dies on Saint Helena.