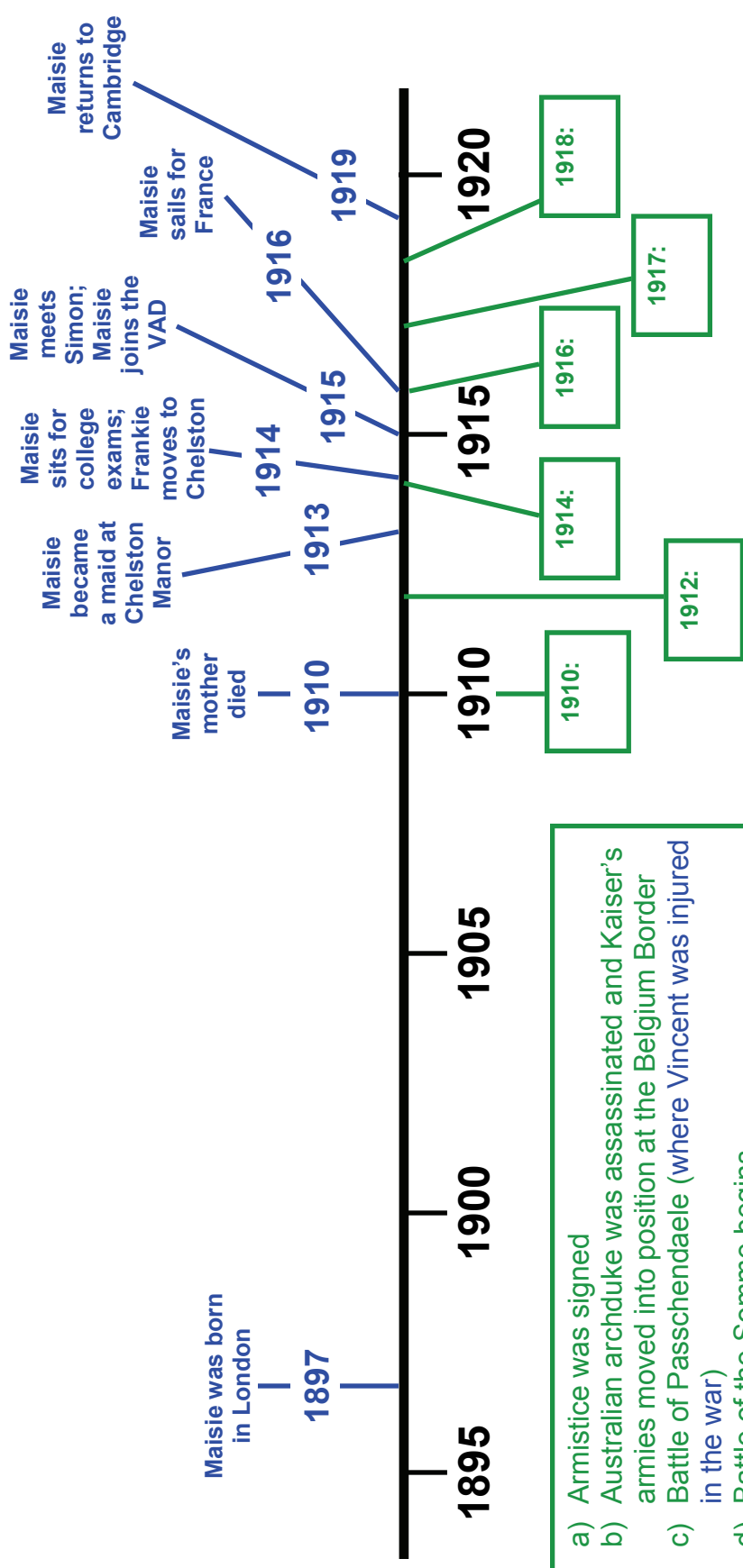


Maisie Dobbs Historical Timeline: Fact and Fiction

Although the Maisie Dobbs narrative begins in 1929, the story is rooted by events which took place over the prior two decades. Place the letter corresponding to **factual events** into the appropriate time slot below.



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Fact and Fiction Discussion Questions:

- 1) **Armistice was signed** – Was this the cessation of all WWI battles, or did peace come to some before others?
- 2) **Australian archduke was assassinated and Kaiser's armies moved into position at the Belgium Border** – This might be the proverbial “straw that broke the camel’s back.” How quickly did WW1 start after this, and what countries were part of the “Central Powers” vs., which countries were included in the “Allied nations”?
- 3) **Battle of Passchendaele (Where Vincent was injured in the war)** – What was the objective of this battle, and was it met?
- 4) **Battle of the Somme begins** – This battle is believed to be one of the bloodiest military operations ever recorded. How many soldiers died in this series of battles, and what countries were involved?
- 5) **Conflict started in Balkans** – Where exactly are “The Balkans”—what countries were included in this conflict and how does it relate to WWI?
- 6) **Maisie joins the VAC** – What was the VAD, when was it founded, and how did it operate?
- 7) **Maisie took entrance exams for Girton College** – Girton is part of what famous university system? And when was it founded?
- 8) **Suffragettes (along with Lady Rowan) marched on Westminster demanding the vote** – Was this toward the beginning or end of women’s struggle to get the vote?