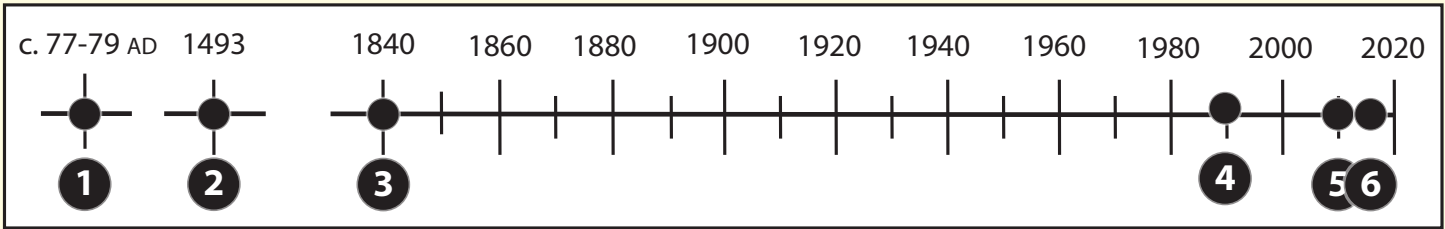


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Number the events below in the order they should appear on the timeline. Write the number in the box beside each event. Check your answers with pages 28–29 of the book.



Christopher Columbus has what he believes is a mermaid encounter, but may have been a manatee sighting. He notes that the creatures "... are not so beautiful as they are said to be."

Roman scholar Pliny the Elder writes *Natural History*. This encyclopedia includes descriptions of mythical creatures such as mermaids.

The animated film *The Little Mermaid* is released. It is based loosely on the Hans Christian Andersen tale.

American showman P.T. Barnum unveils a sideshow attraction called The Feejee Mermaid. The hoax was made by stitching together monkey and fish body parts.

The last episode of the Australian television series *Meko Mermaids* airs. The series is about a teenage boy who becomes a merman after coming in contact with magic water.

The tourism board of Kiryat Yam, a town in Israel, announces a \$1 million reward for anyone who can photograph a mermaid that was allegedly spotted nearby. The reward remains unclaimed.

