

Where They Play

Use pages 10–11 in the book to help you complete the activity.

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The map below shows the locations of all 16 stadiums in the National Football Conference. Look at the map and try to find the home of the New Orleans Saints, the Mercedes-Benz Superdome. First, find the number used to mark this stadium on the map. Then, write that number in the space next to the stadium's name in the list below the map.

When finished, try to find the stadiums of some of the Saints' rivals. Write the number for each of these stadiums in the list below the map. Check your answers in the book.

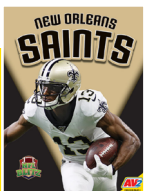


MERCEDES-BENZ SUPERDOME (NEW ORLEANS SAINTS)

FEDEX FIELD (WASHINGTON FOOTBALL TEAM)

SOLDIER FIELD (CHICAGO BEARS)

STATE FARM STADIUM (ARIZONA CARDINALS)



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Write a News Story

Follow the instructions to complete the activity.

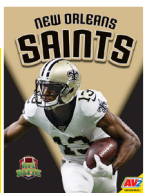
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Exciting moments that happen during football games are often the topic of news stories. Choose one of the key events in the book and write a news story about it in the space below.

News stories focus on a specific event and date in time. If there is more than one side to the story, be sure to present both. The story should include answers to five key questions.

- Who is the story about? This may be a person, team, organization, or company.
- What is the event? It may be a regular or post-season game, or even a practice.
- Where did the event take place? This should include the city and stadium.
- When did the event take place? This should include the complete date and, if possible, the time.
- Why is the event important? Explain why this was a key event for the team or player. How did the event impact the team, the players, or the fans?



Using the information in *New Orleans Saints*, select an answer from the right and write the letter in the box beside the statement.

1.

Rickey Jackson set the Saints record with this many career sacks.

A. 73,208

2.

Since Sean Payton arrived in 2006, the team has won this many play-off games.

B. 1,104

3.

The Saints logged a team-record of this many wins in 2009.

C. 31

4.

Rickey Jackson set the Saints record for career tackles with this many.

D. 13

5.

The Mercedes-Benz Superdome seats this many cheering fans.

E. 115

6.

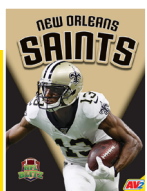
The Saints won the Super Bowl in 2010, defeating the Indianapolis Colts with this many points.

F. 20

7.

Drew Brees played for this many NFL seasons.

G. 9



Timeline Activity

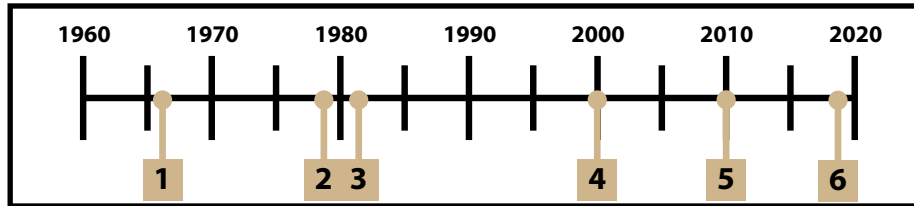
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Number the events below in the order they should appear on the timeline.

Write the number in the box beside each event. Check your answers with pages 26 and 27 of the book.



1 1966

2 1979

3 1981

4 2000

5 2010

6 2019

The Saints defeat the St. Louis Rams 31–28, earning their first-ever postseason victory.

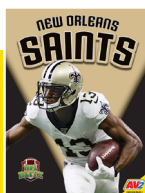
The Saints select offensive lineman Erik McCoy with their first pick of the draft.

The Saints win the Super Bowl, defeating the Indianapolis Colts 31–17.

The NFL awards New Orleans a professional football team.

The Saints record their first .500 season with the help of legendary quarterback Archie Manning.

Saints rookie running back George Rogers leads the NFL in rushing.



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Write a Biography

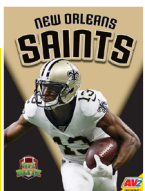
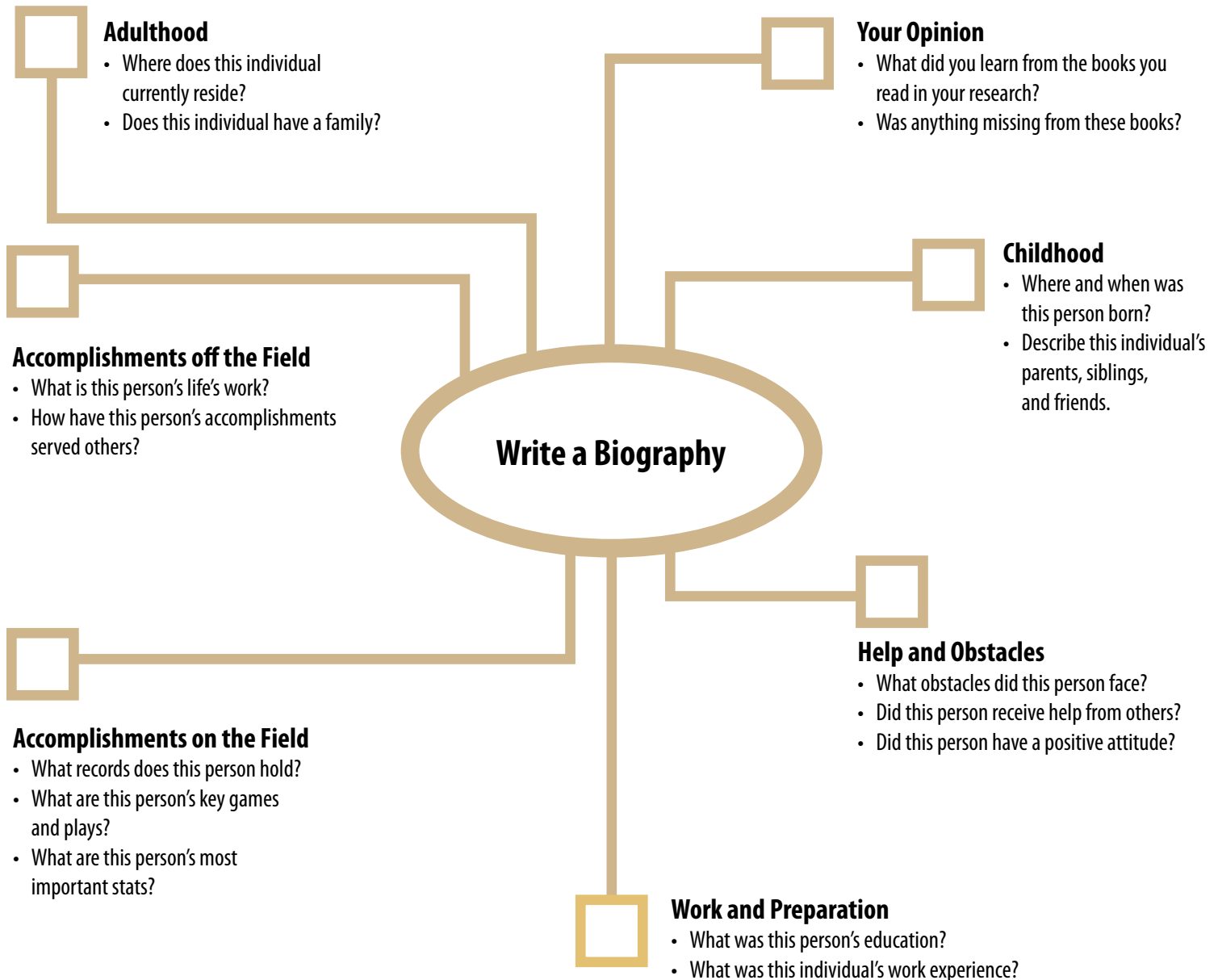
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Use your book, and research in the library and on the internet, to find out more about your favorite New Orleans Saints player or coach. Learn as much about this person as you can.

What role or position does this person play on the team? What are this person's statistics in important categories? Has this person set any records? Also, be sure to write down key events in this person's life. What was this person's childhood like? What has this person accomplished off the field? Is there anything else that makes this person special or unusual?



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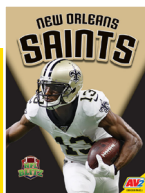
Write a Biography

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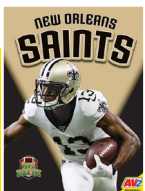
Quiz

Test your knowledge by answering these questions.

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- 1** In what year did the Saints defeat the Colts in the Super Bowl?
- 2** What color are the Saints' home jerseys?
- 3** Who was hired as the Saints' head coach in 2006?
- 4** What player holds the team's record for career sacks?
- 5** In what year did the Saints get their first postseason victory?
- 6** Who holds the Saints' record for rushing yards in a season?
- 7** What color are the Saints' helmets?
- 8** Which former Saints quarterback is now a radio analyst for the team?



Key Words Match-Up

Write the words from the list below in the box above the correct definition for each word.

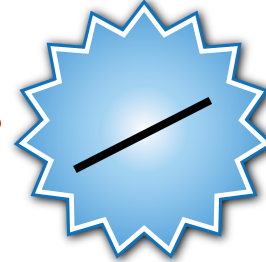
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KEY WORDS

.500 season	National Championship
All-Pro	playoff
alternate uniform	postseason
artificial turf	Pro Bowl
Most Valuable Player (MVP)	Super Bowl

Your
Score is



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1.
the NFL's annual championship game between the winning team from the NFC and the winning team from the AFC
2.
the player judged to be most valuable to his team's success
3.
a man-made substance on a playing field that looks like real grass
4.
a uniform that sports teams may wear instead of their regular home or away uniform
5.
a sporting event that takes place after the end of the regular season
6.
a game played following the end of the regular season
7.
the top achievement for any sport or contest in a particular nation
8.
the annual all-star game for NFL players pitting the best players in the NFC against the best players in the American Football Conference (AFC)
9.
an NFL player judged to be the best in his position for a given season
10.
when a team wins and loses an equal number of games

