

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 15 teams in the Western Conference. Look at the map and try to find the home of Chicago Fire FC. First, find the number used to mark this location on the map. Then, write that number in the space next to the team's name in the list below the map.

When finished, try to find the locations of some of Chicago Fire FC's rivals. Write the number for each of these locations in the list below the map. Check your answers in the book.



- CHICAGO FIRE FC
- NEW YORK CITY FC

- CHARLOTTE FC
- TORONTO FC

- D.C. UNITED
- ATLANTA UNITED FC



Write a News Story

Follow the instructions to complete the activity.

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Exciting moments that happen during soccer 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 *Chicago Fire FC*, select an answer from the right and write the letter in the box beside the statement.

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| 1. | The U-shaped stadium could originally accommodate up to this many spectators | <input type="text"/> | A. 74,280 |
| 2. | The Fire have made it to the MLS Cup Final this many times, | <input type="text"/> | B. 185,000 |
| 3. | The Fire won this year's Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup by beating Columbus Crew 2-1 in overtime. | <input type="text"/> | C. 1998 |
| 4. | How many coaches have the Chicago Fire had since their inaugural season in 1998? | <input type="text"/> | D. 3 |
| 5. | The Fire are popular on social media. They have nearly this many followers on X (formerly Twitter). | <input type="text"/> | E. 30 |
| 6. | Fire legend Piotr Nowak is the team's all-time leader in assists, with this many. | <input type="text"/> | F. 10 |
| 7. | Chris Brady appeared in this many games for Chicago Fire FC in the 2023 season. | <input type="text"/> | G. 48 |



Timeline Activity

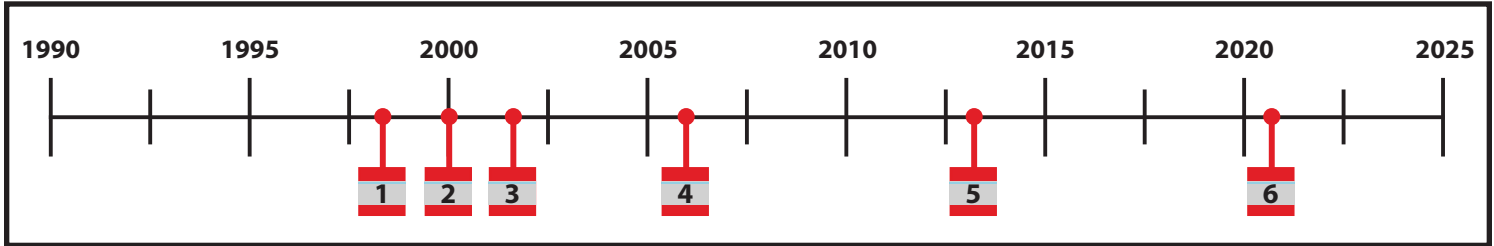
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Number the events below in the order they should appear on the timeline.

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



1 1998

2 2000

3 2002

4 2006

5 2013

6 2021

The club moves to Toyota Park in Bridgeview, Illinois, and captures its fourth Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup.

The Fire move to the newly created Central Division. They play in the MLS Cup Final against Kansas City and win their second Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup.

Chicago Fire Soccer Club plays its first MLS season and brings home "the Double." Captain Piotr Nowak is named MLS Cup MVP and Bob Bradley wins MLS Coach of the Year.

After consulting with fans, a new team logo is revealed on October 8, the 150th anniversary of the Great Chicago Fire.

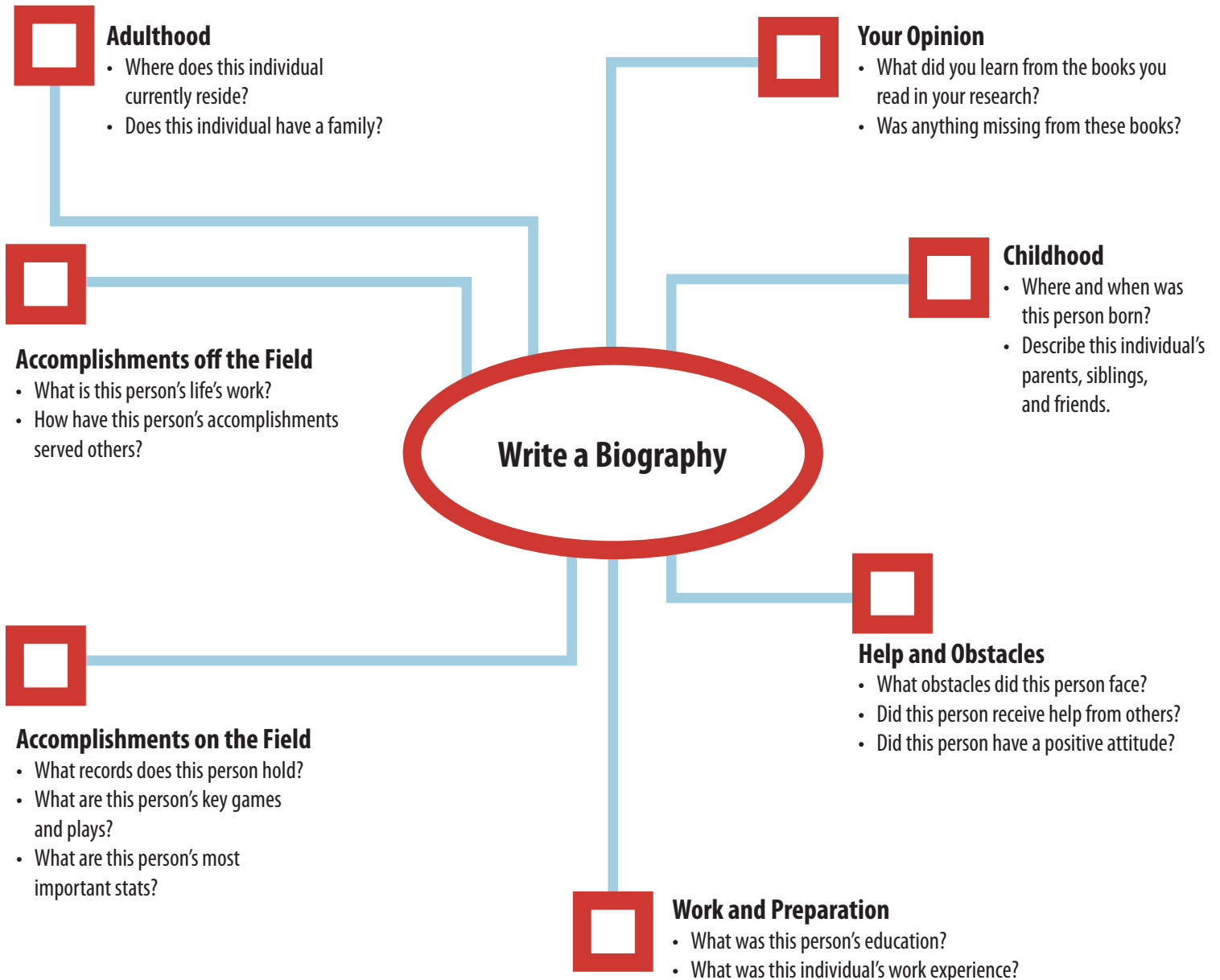
Soldier Field undergoes renovations, and the Men in Red find a temporary home at Cardinal Stadium.

Mike Magee racks up a career-high 21 goals, 15 of which are scored over 22 games with the Fire. He is also named league MVP.



Use your book, and research in the library and on the internet, to find out more about your favorite Chicago Fire FC 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?



Write a Biography

Use the space below to write your biography.
If you need more space, print another copy of this page.

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Quiz

Test your knowledge by answering these questions.

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1 Where did the Fire move in 2002 while Soldier Field was renovated?

2 What event was the club named after?

3 How many Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cups have the Men in Red won?

4 Who was the first person inducted into the "Ring of Fire," the club's Hall of Fame?

5 What is Chicago's population?

6 What breed of dog is Sparky, the club's official mascot?

7 What honor did Bob Bradley receive after the Men in Red won "the Double" in 1998?

8 Who scored the Fire's two goals in the 1998 MLS Cup Final?

9 How many appearances did C.J. Brown make for Chicago?

10 In which season was the current Fire logo first used? ?

11 Which member of the Fire was named club MVP in 2023?

12 Who is Chicago Fire FC's starting goalie?



Key Words Match-Up

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

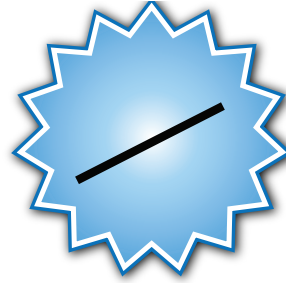
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KEY WORDS

brace	goalkeeper
kit	interceptions
assists	caps
academy	clean sheets
clearances	clubs

Your Score is



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1.
when a player scores two goals in a single game

2.
games in which no goals are conceded by the winning team

3.
the gear worn by players on a team

4.
groups focused on a particular interest or activity

5.
also called a goalie, the player responsible for keeping the ball from going into the goal and the only player who is allowed to pick up the ball

6.
when players remove the ball from the area around their team's goal

7.
when players take the ball from the opposing team in the middle of a pass

8.
a pass that leads directly to a goal

9.
a place where people train in a special field

10.
appearances in international matches



Quiz Answer Key

Compare your quiz answers with the answer key below.

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- 1** North Central College's Cardinal Stadium, in Naperville, Illinois
- 2** The Great Chicago Fire of 1871
- 3** Four
- 4** Piotr Nowak
- 5** About 2.7 million people
- 6** Dalmatian
- 7** MLS Coach of the Year
- 8** Jerzy Podbrożny and Diego Gutiérrez
- 9** 372
- 10** 2022
- 11** Brian Gutiérrez
- 12** Chris Brady



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Reference: All Pages