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| **Alexander is born(356 BCE).**Alexander is born at Pella in Macedonia. He is the son of King Philip II and Olympias. He is taught math and military skills, such as archery and horsemanship. He is taught to be physically tough. |
| **Philip hires Aristotle to tutor Alexander(343 BCE).**In 343 BCE, Philip hires the Greek philosopher Aristotle to tutor Alexander. Over the next three years, Aristotle teaches Alexander to appreciate philosophy, geography, Greek poetry, and scientific investigation.  |
| **Alexander joins his father's army(340 BCE).**At age 16, Alexander finishes studying under Aristotle and joins his father's army. By this point, Philip controls all the Greek city-states except Athens and Thebes.  |
| **Alexander leads the attack (August 338 BCE).**In August 338 BCE, the Macedonians meet Athens and Thebes in battle. Alexander leads the attack. It is Alexander's first taste of battle, and he and his father defeat the Greeks, winning control of all the city states.  |
| **Hi father Philip is assassinated and Alexander becomes king(October 336 BCE).**King Phillip – Alexander’s Dad – is assassinated. Alexander becomes king of Macedonia at the age of 20. |
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| **Taking over Persia (June 334 BCE).**Alexander leads the Greek army to battle against Persia. His father’s dream was to conquer Persia and he wants to achieve it. After savage fighting, the Persians retreat, and Alexander's army takes control of Persia.  |
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| **Alexander conquers Egypt(October 332 BCE).**After conquering Persia, Alexander sweeps south and easily conquers Egypt. In 331 BCE, he creates the city of Alexandria, which is meant to be a hub of Greek commerce and culture. This is just one of many cities he names after himself during his conquests. |
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| **Alexander accidentally kills one of his closest friends (328 BCE).**Alexander accidentally kills one of his friend at a banquet in 328 BCE. He and his close companion Cleitus, who saved his life at the battle of Granicus, fall into an argument. Alexander accidentally stabs Cleitus with a spear.  |
| **Alexander marries Roxane(327 BCE).**After conquering Iran and capturing Prince Oxyartes, Alexander marries Roxane, the prince's daughter.  |
| **Alexander tries to invade India(May 326 BCE).**Hoping to add even more territory to his empire, Alexander tries to invade India. After several months trying however, Alexander's army refuses to go any further. |
| **Alexander dies(June 10, 323 BCE).**Alexander falls ill with a sudden fever and dies. His troops argue about who should get control of his empire, and it ends up being split up and separated.  |