

What Does a Timeline Communicate?

Core Competency: Communication Skills

Chapter 13 considers art from a vast expanse of time. To gain a better understanding of the time period, consider a timeline that graphically depicts the different periods (figure 13.39) and answer these questions:

- What is the most important point that the timeline shows?
- Give an example of a civilization that influenced another and explain why this was the case.

- Why is the continuity or lack of continuity in the style of art of certain civilizations remarkable given the duration of the civilization?
- Given that Rome, the latest civilization on this timeline, ends in 395 CE, and knowing that we today live in a period just over 1,600 years later, what major change do you think occurs with later civilizations?

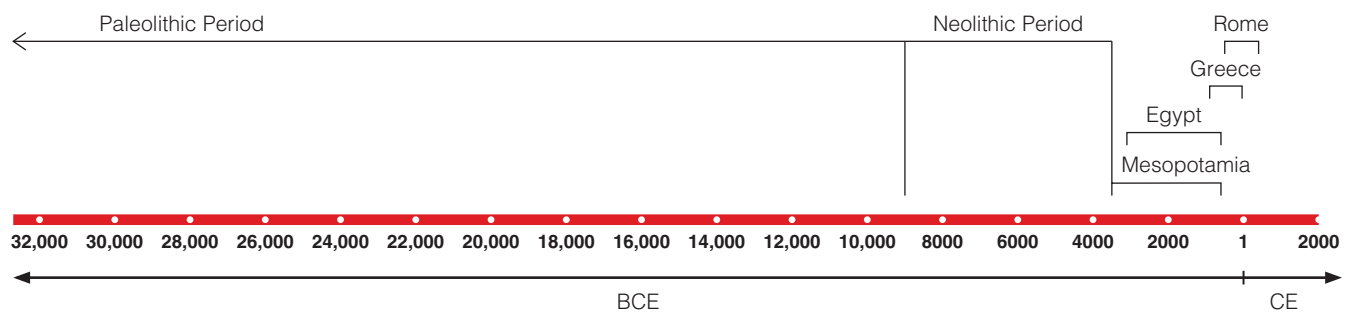


FIGURE 13.39. Timeline of prehistory and ancient civilizations in Europe and the Mediterranean.



Interactive Timeline