

**Task for *Reg Saunders: an Indigenous War Hero***

**How to take notes from a biography**

Extract information about Reg Saunders’ own personal story (his biography) and organise it on the vertical timeline below.

The language functions most important in a biography are cause and effect (what caused the significant events in this person’s life?) and time-order (usually chronological order). These can be noted on the timeline.

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| **Orientation:** | | | | | |  |
| Name of person | | | | | |  |
| Explain why famous | | | | | |  |
| (use cause–effect signals to link the ideas.) | | | | | |  |
| **Series of events:** | | | | | | Record notes on a vertical timeline. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | (Use time order signals to link ideas.) |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | (Use cause–effect signals to explain the |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  | influences on his life.) |
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| **Reorientation:** | Restate why Reg Saunders is famous and |
|  | explain his contribution to Australian society |
|  | today. |