

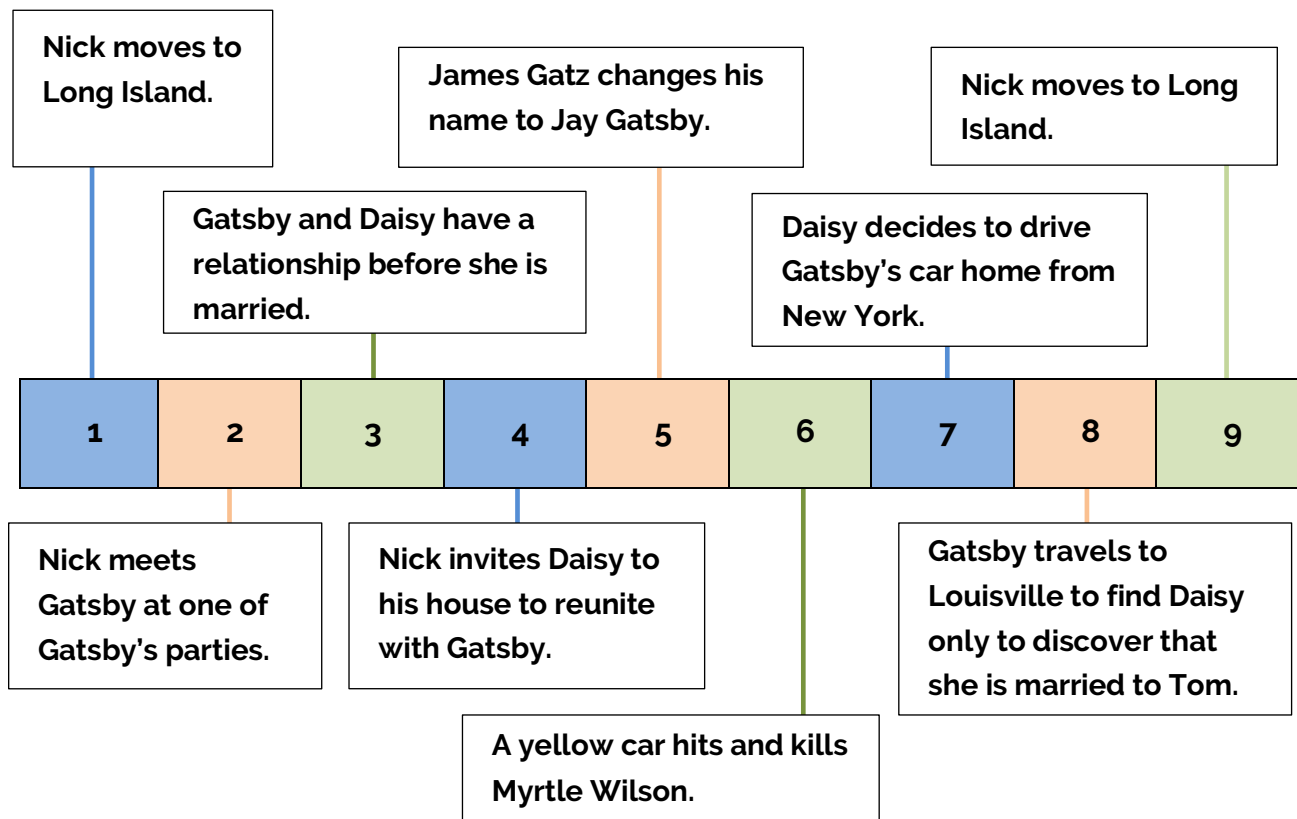


# The Great Gatsby Timeline: Putting Events in Order

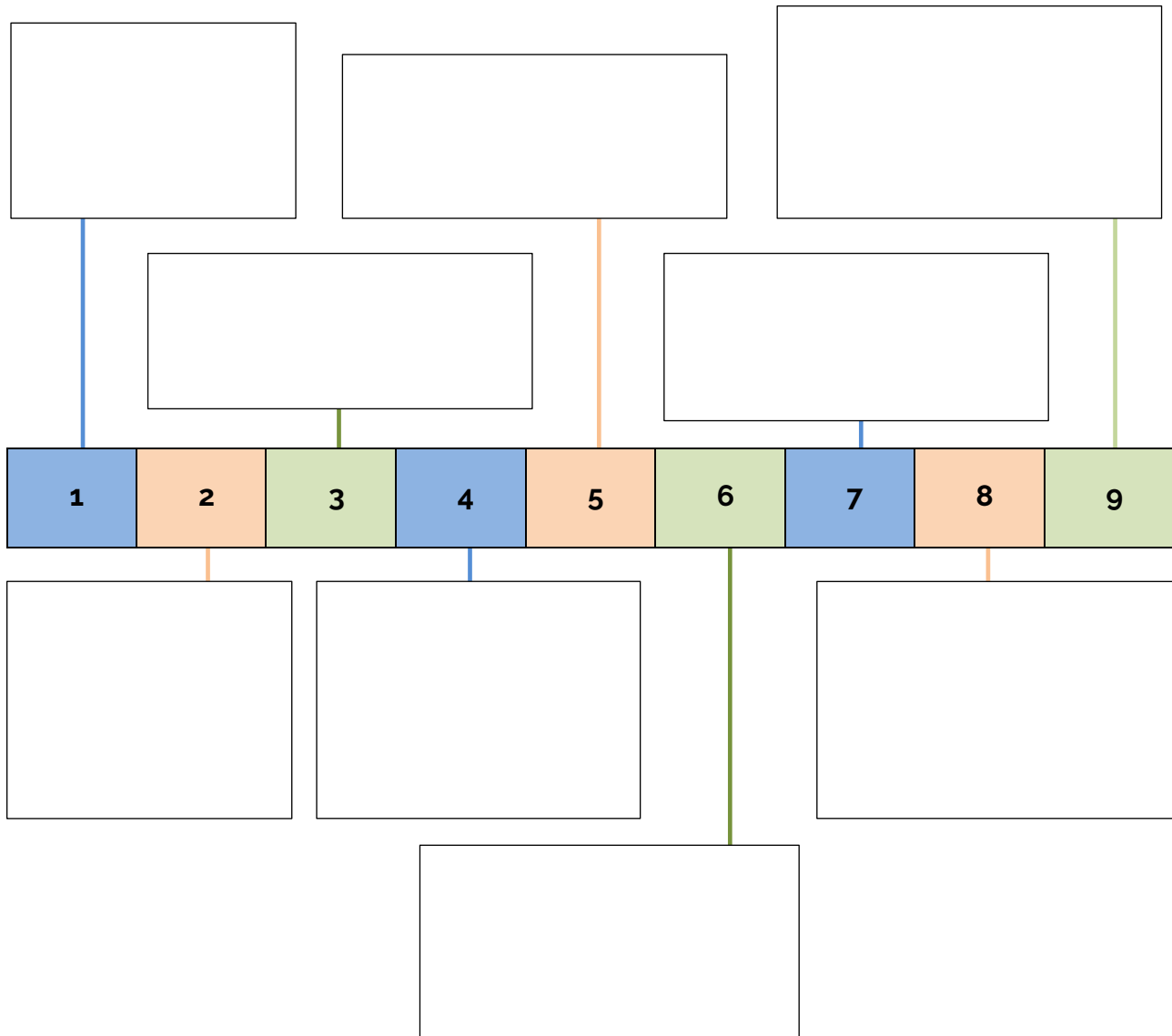
Although Nick claims to be recounting past events, he describes them in the order he learns of them, not in strictly chronological order.

First, read the text's major events in the order Nick learns of them. Next, write the events in chronological order (the order they actually happened in).

## Nick's Order of Events



## Chronological Order



RL.11-12.5 Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure specific parts of a text (e.g., the choice of where to begin or end a story, the choice to provide a comedic or tragic resolution) contribute to its overall structure and meaning as well as its aesthetic impact.

## Answer Key

Nick's Order of Events	Chronological Order
Nick moves to Long Island.	4
Nick meets Gatsby at one of Gatsby's parties.	5
Gatsby and Daisy have a relationship before she is married.	2
Nick invites Daisy to his house to reunite with Gatsby.	6
James Gatz changes his name to Jay Gatsby.	1
A yellow car hits and kills Myrtle Wilson.	8
Daisy decides to drive Gatsby's car home from New York.	7
Gatsby travels to Louisville to find Daisy only to discover that she is married to Tom.	3
George Wilson shoots Gatsby and then himself.	9