**Time Designation Words and Abbreviations Note Guide**

BC - before Christ

● BCE - Before Common Era

AD - Latin term for anno domini which means in the year of our Lord  
  
IT DOESN’T MEAN AFTER DEATH!!

CE – Common Era  
(Same as AD)

circa - ‘about’  
(c.)

decades - period of 10 years

century- period of 100 years

prehistoric- before ‘written’ history   
(Cave art)

history- time after written history

Era- a long period of time