

2-Liter Reports

This idea works for many grade levels and any subject that can be presented chronologically or as a list. Biographies, autobiographies, book reports, timelines, or scientific processes are just a few ideas.

Step 1:

Collect enough empty 2 liter bottles that each student can have one bottle. Wash the inside of the bottles, remove the label, and keep the bottle cap.

Step 2:

Cut one sheet of paper lengthwise into $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch strips 11 inches long. Tape the strips end to end to form one long paper ribbon for each student. It takes about 64 inches to cover one bottle.

Step 3:

Have each student write or draw the time line or information on the long strip of paper from left to right.

Step 4:

Wrap the paper ribbon around the bottle like a corkscrew starting at the top.

Step 5:

Decorate the bottle with pictures as desired. Tape an appropriately related photo or drawing on the cap of the bottle.

Extension Activity:

Group students in twos and have them compare/contrast their bottle reports using a Venn Diagram. Have each student use their bottle to give an oral report.

