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# Themed License Plates

Every vehicle that travels on a road in the United States needs to have a license plate. Each state has its own license plate, which shows something important about that state. For example, Washington issues license plates that show endangered animals. Washington gives the money made from selling these license plates to their Department of Fish and Wildlife. People also personalize their license plates by adding license plate frames. For example, drivers might show off their favorite hobby with a license plate frame that says, “I’d rather be running” or “I♥ my dog.” Take a look at some license plates and frames below.

## License Plates:



<https://flaglive.com/81012/florida-license-plates-2/>

## License Plate Frames:



<https://www.amazon.com/License-Plate-Holder-Adventure-Awaits/dp/B07F9JYTQG>



<https://www.sportys.com/pilotshop/license-plate-frames.html>



<https://www.chromeemblems.com/product/ironman-triathlon-3d-license-plate-frame>

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Today, you will create 3 license plates and frames about different parts of the geologic time scale. You will then write a letter to a state government employee explaining why the government should sell the plates to the public.

**Step 1: Decide what your license plates and frames will represent**

Each plate and frame should display a different part of the geologic time scale. For example, you might make a license plate about the Cambrian Period or the Jurassic Period.

- Choose 3 topics you will put on your license plates and frames:
  - \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_

**Step 2: Brainstorm Pictures and Words to Use**

License plates use pictures and graphics that show their topic. License plate frames include short phrases or sayings. Your plates and frames must meet the following requirements:

- Each plate must include at least two graphics related to your topic.
- Each frame must include one fact or saying related to your topic.
- Each plate must include the state where it will be registered.

Use the boxes below to brainstorm ideas for pictures and words that can be used on your license plates and frames.

**Plate 1**

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**Plate 2**

**Plate 3**

### **Step 3: Design**

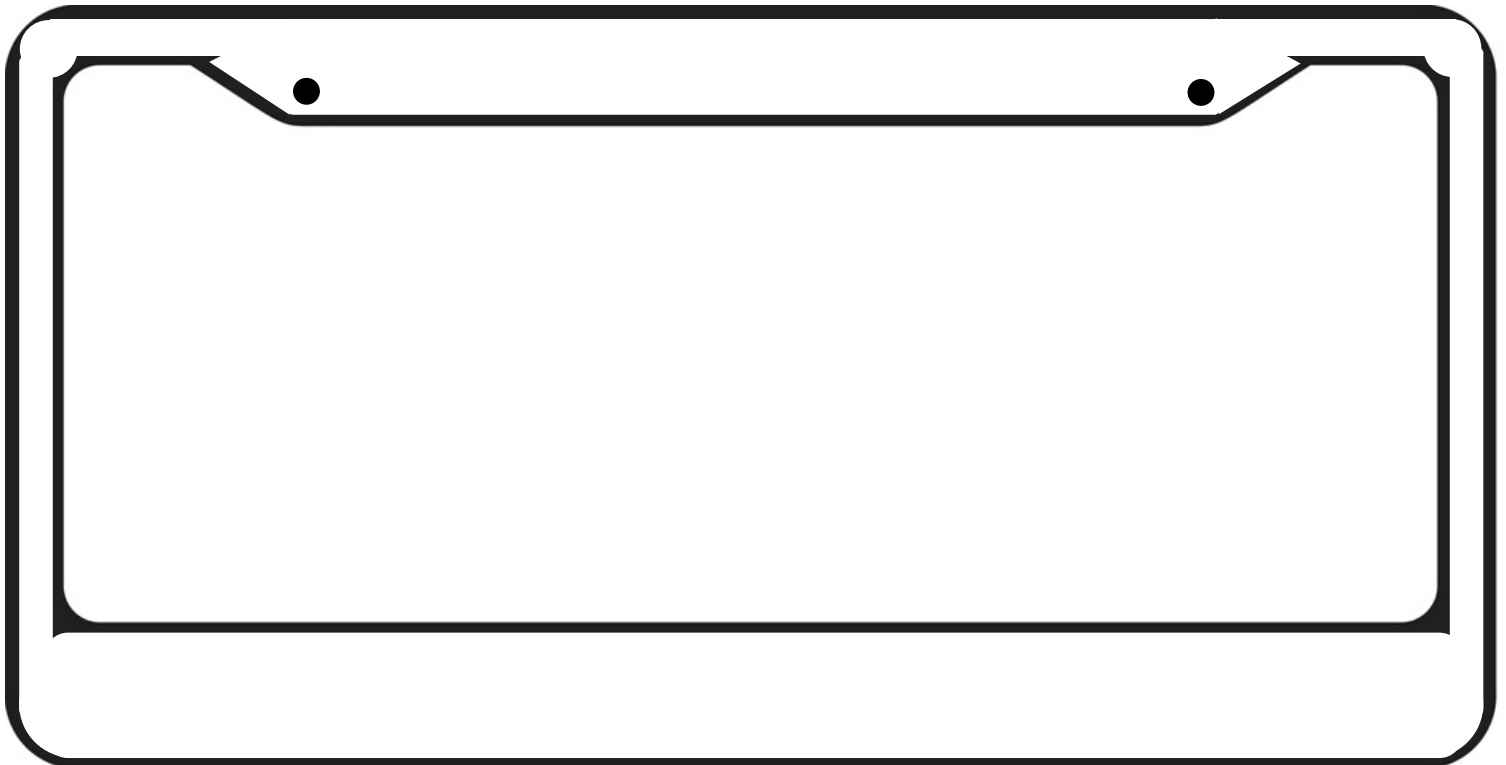
Use the templates on the next pages to design each of your license plates and frames.

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License Plate 1:



License Plate Frame 1:



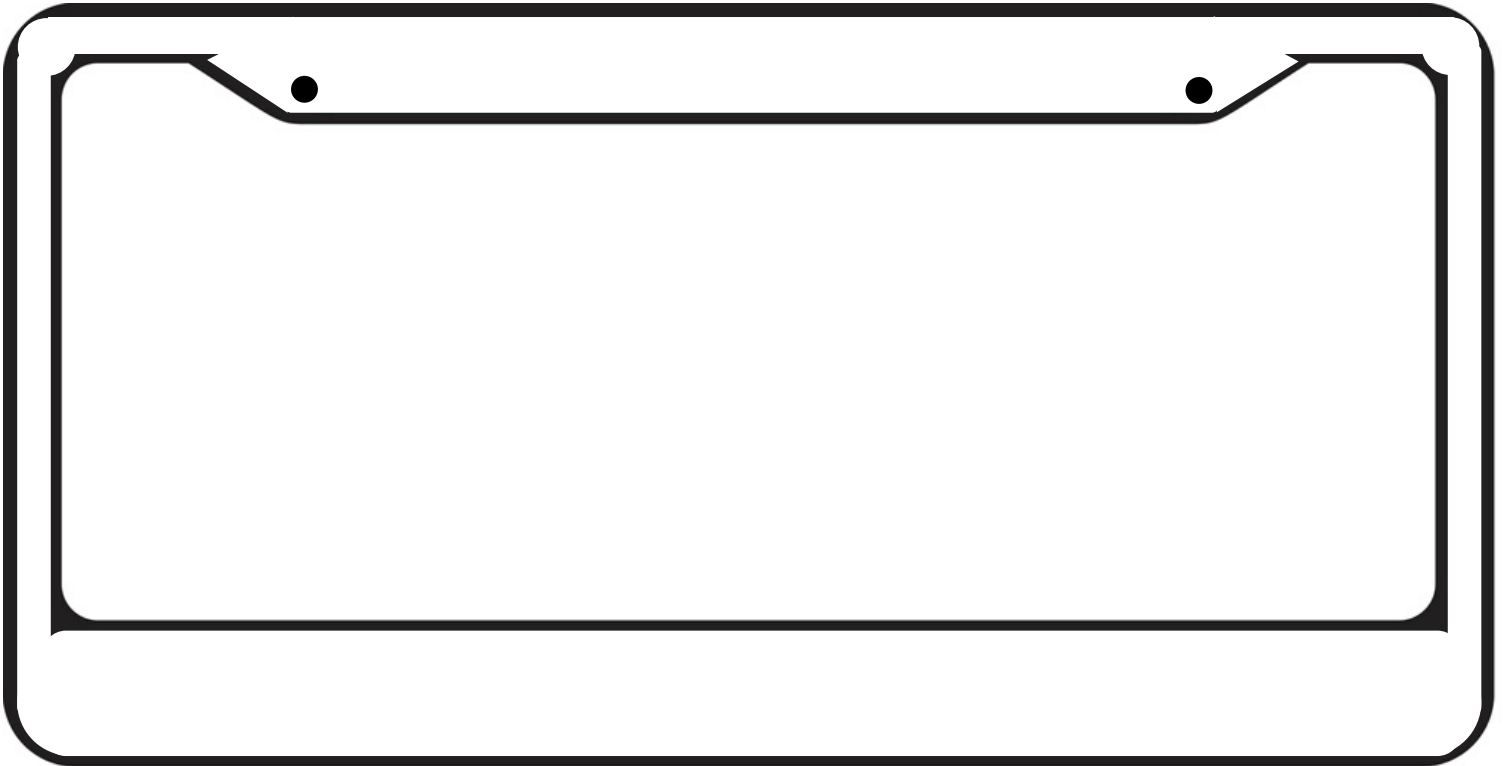
Geologic Time Scale

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License Plate 2:



License Plate Frame 2:



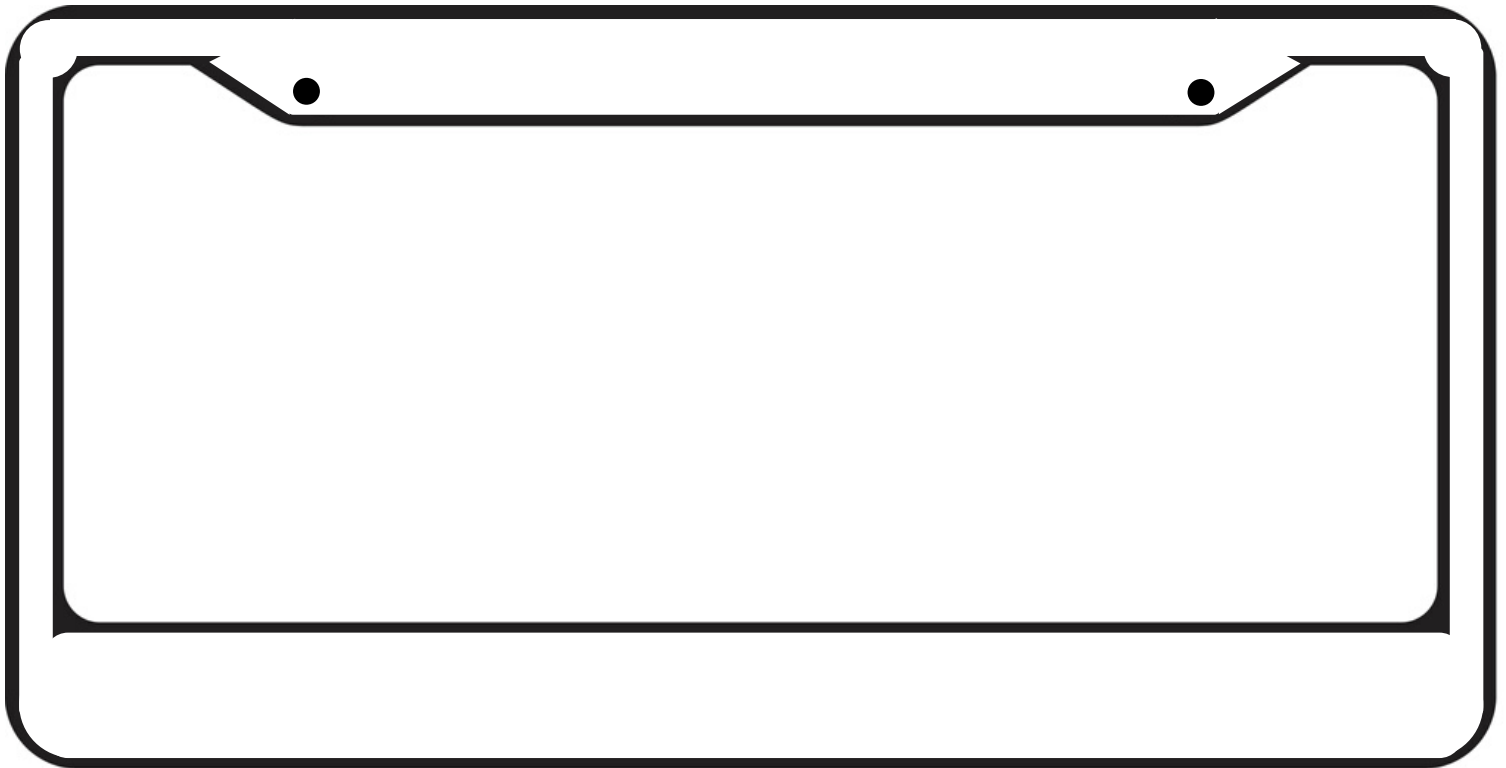
Geologic Time Scale

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License Plate 3:



License Plate Frame 3:



Geologic Time Scale

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**Step 4: Write Your Proposal**

New license plate designs are approved by the state they are issued in. This means that first a new license plate is designed. Then, a proposal is written and submitted to the state government. Once it is approved, the plate design can be made available for sale. Write a letter to a state government representative proposing the three new license plate and frame designs you created. Your letter must meet the following requirements:

- Describe the three license plates and frames you are proposing.
- Explain why people may want to buy your license plates.
- Use proper letter formatting:
  - Include the date you are writing the letter at the top.
  - Start by addressing the group you are writing to (Dear State Government Representative,).
  - End with a closing and your signature (Sincerely, your name).