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# Come to Order

Remembering the order in which big events take place will help you gain a better understanding of the plot. This is called sequencing.

**Directions:** Read the list of 15 events from *The Secret Lives of Bees* in the box below. Then, place a number in each circle in the order in which the events happened.

- Lily finds out that August knew her mother.
- August tells Lily that her mother loved her and had come back to get her.
- President Lyndon B. Johnson signs the Civil Rights Act.
- Lily and Rosaleen run away to Tiburon, South Carolina.
- June finally agrees to marry Neil.
- Lily and Rosaleen make their way to the home of August Boatwright.
- August teaches Lily about beekeeping.
- May passes away.
- T. Ray realizes that August is the mother Lily needs. He decides to let her stay.
- Lily's mother dies.
- Lily finds out her mother was ill.
- T. Ray figures out where Lily has gone.
- Lily tells August that both of her parents have died, so August allows Lily and Rosaleen to stay.
- T. Ray shows up at August's house and starts breaking things.
- Rosaleen bakes a cake for Lily's birthday.