



## What should go in your time capsule?

Here are a few ideas...

### From the Special Day:

- A local daily newspaper
- A videotape of the local nightly news
- A national newspaper (*USA Today*)
- A television guide
- A weekly news magazine (*Time, Newsweek*)
- An entertainment magazine (*People, US*)

### Throughout the year:

- Newspaper front pages with major headlines
- Ticket stubs (concerts, movies, sporting events, etc.)
- Sports trading cards (or other collectibles)
- A list of popular expressions (slang)
- A popular toy or doll (Beanie Babies®, Pet Rock, etc.)
- A sample of product packaging (empty Coke® can, etc.)
- An extended family tree
- A floor plan of your home
- A popular CD or taped radio show (top-10 music hits)
- A copy of a future-oriented magazine
- Your favorite magazine
- A menu from a favorite restaurant
- Items from your job or school (business card, etc.)
- Year-in-review issues of magazines or newspapers

### Messages to People of the Future:

- General message to "People of the future"
- Note to Mom/Dad/Siblings in the future
- Note to your future self
- Note to those you haven't met yet (*spouse, children, future friends, etc.*)

### Important Documents / Misc.

- Items from a recently born baby (*ID cards, first day photos, notes from siblings*)
- Items/records from recent wedding (*invitation, cake topper, honeymoon tickets*)
- Catalogues and magazines
- A paycheck stub or utility bills
- Receipts from the grocery store
- A copy of a credit card bill

### Photographs:

- The exterior of a gas station (including price board)
- Downtown or suburban skyline and storefronts
- Cars & Advertising billboards
- Scenes from your neighborhood
- Favorite places to hang out/shop/eat
- Movie theater marquee with movies listed
- Interior and exterior shots of your home/work/school
- Photos of you in your favorite daily clothes

### With Video/DVD camera:

- A video tour of your home/work/school
- A video tour of your daily life
- A "Future Predictions" w/ friends talking to camera
- Family history interviews

### From TV on VCR/DVD:

- Popular or favorite TV shows
- Major sporting events (Super Bowl, etc.)
- Major news events
- Music videos
- Awards programs (Academy Awards®, etc.)

### On audiotape or CD:

- Top-10 music hits
- 45 or 90 minutes of random radio programming
- Audio Messages to the Future®

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