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Handout: Part Two - Writing descriptions of Time Series data

Key ideas

- Write / Tell story from 'left to right' over time
- Think about overall trends

e.g. "generally increasing,"
"downwards trend"

- also describe gaps e.g. "didn't feature in top 1000 names until 1950"

- Keep linking to context not describing "the line" but "the name"

- don't be too definite
"approximately" "roughly"
"likely" "possibly" "suggests"
"could be due to"

- can have upwards and downwards 'spikes'