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Year	<i>Lavoisier's Life</i>	<i>Concurrent Political and Chemical Events</i>
1743	* Born 26 August in Paris.	
1745		
1748	* Death of mother.	
1751		
1754	* Enters the Collège Mazarin.	
1755		
1756		
1758		
1760	* Death of sister.	
1761		
1762	* Attends Rouelle's chemical lectures.	
1763	* Obtains law degree, begins geological studies with Guettard.	
1764	* Admitted to the bar.	
1765	* Reads first memoir (on gypsum) to the Académie.	
1766	* Receives medal for essay on lighting.	
1767	* Geological tour with Guettard.	
1768	* Election to the Académie, purchase of interest in the Ferme Générale.	
1770	* Memoirs on transmutation of water and earth.	
1771	* Marriage to Marie Anne Paulze.	
1772	* Formulates program for study of airs, first experiments on combustion, (sealed note), combustion of diamond, associate at the Académie.	
1774	* Publication of <i>Opuscules Physique et Chimique</i> ,	
		* Franklin founds the American Philosophical Society, Birth of Jefferson and Klaproth.
		* Lead chamber process, birth of Gahn.
		* Publication of Diderot's <i>Encyclopédie</i> and Macquer's <i>Eléments de Chymie</i> , discovery of nickel (Cronstedt).
		* Birth of Fourcroy.
		* Start of Seven-Years War, publication of Black's <i>Experiments upon Magnesia, Quicklime and Other Alkaline Substances</i> .
		* Publication of Cronstedt's <i>Essay on the New Mineralogy</i> .
		* Death of Stephen Hales.
		* Peace of Paris, birth of Vauquelin.
		* Publication of Macbride's <i>Experimental Essays</i> .
		* Death of Lomonosov, discovery of prussic acid (Scheele).
		* Birth of Dalton and Wollaston, Cavendish reports the discovery of hydrogen, publication of Macquer's <i>Dictionnaire de Chymie</i> .
		* Discovery of tartaric acid (Scheele), death of Rouelle.
		* Publication of Guyton's <i>Digressions Académique</i> and Priestley's first paper in his series on <i>Observations on Different Kinds of Air</i> , discovery of nitrogen (Rutherford).
		* Ascension of Louis XVI, discovery of manganese (Gahn),