Calculating Earth's Age

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Using Genesis 5, write in the missing information in the following table. When you finish, look through the other questions below and fill in what you can.

	Age of Father When			
Father	Scripture Reference	Son Was Born	Son	
Adam	Genesis 5:3		Seth	
Seth	Genesis 5:6		Enosh	
Enosh	Genesis 5:9		Cainan	
Cainan	Genesis 5:12		Mahalalel	
Mahalalel	Genesis 5:15		Jared	
Jared	Genesis 5:18		Enoch	
Enoch	Genesis 5:21		Methuselah	
Methuselah	Genesis 5:25		Lamech	
Lamech	Genesis 5:28		Noah	

_____ years from Adam to Noah (Genesis 5)

_____ years from Noah to Abraham (Genesis 11:10–26)

Summary according to the genealogies recorded in Genesis:

_____ years from Adam to Noah (Genesis 5)

____ years from Noah to Abraham (Genesis 11:10–26)

A total of _____ years from Adam to Abraham

Total age of the earth according to God's Word:

From Jesus to today = about____years (from Jesus's birth to today)

From Abraham to Jesus = about _____years (historically accepted by scholars)

From Adam to Abraham = about____years (Genesis 5 and Genesis 11)

The Bible indicates a young earth—____years old—not billions of years old!



Calculating Earth's Age Answer Key

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	Age of Father When			
Father	Scripture Reference	Son Was Born	Son	
Adam	Genesis 5:3	130	Seth	
Seth	Genesis 5:6	105	Enosh	
Enosh	Genesis 5:9	90	Cainan	
Cainan	Genesis 5:12	70	Mahalalel	
Mahalalel	Genesis 5:15	65	Jared	
Jared	Genesis 5:18	162	Enoch	
Enoch	Genesis 5:21	65	Methuselah	
Methuselah	Genesis 5:25	187	Lamech	
Lamech	Genesis 5:28	182	Noah	

1,056 years from Adam to Noah (Genesis 5)

952 years from Noah to Abraham (Genesis 11:10-26)

Summary according to the genealogies recorded in Genesis:

1,056 years from Adam to Noah (Genesis 5)

<u>952</u> years from Noah to Abraham (Genesis 11:10-26)

A total of **2,008** years from Adam to Abraham

Total age of the earth according to God's Word:

From Jesus to today = about 2,000 years (from Jesus's birth to today)

From Abraham to Jesus = about <u>2,000</u> years (historically accepted by scholars)

From Adam to Abraham = about **2,000** years (Genesis 5 and Genesis 11)

The Bible indicates a young earth—<u>6,000</u> years old—not billions of years old!

