

✧ CHRONOLOGICAL SUMMARY ✧

- 1633 23 February: Born in Salisbury Court, Fleet Street
 3 March: Baptised in St Bride's, Fleet Street
- c. 1644 At the grammar school, Huntingdon
- c. 1646–50 At St Paul's School, London
- 1649 Saw Charles I beheaded
- 1650 Awarded leaving exhibition
- 1651–4 At Magdalene College, Cambridge
- 1651, 1653 Awarded scholarships
- 1654 Takes his B.A.
- c. 1654 Appointed secretary and domestic steward (in Whitehall Palace) to Edward Mountagu
- 1655 10 October/1 December: Married to Elizabeth St Michel
- ?1656 Appointed clerk to George Downing, Teller of the Receipt in the Exchequer
- 1658 26 March: Operated on for the stone
 c. August: Moves to Axe Yard
- 1659 May: Carries letters to Mountagu in the Baltic
- 1660 1 January: Begins diary
 9 March: Appointed Admiral's secretary by Mountagu
 25 April: *Convention Parliament meets*
 May: Accompanies Mountagu's fleet to Holland to bring over Charles II
 29 May: *Charles II enters London*