Name _____

Word Time Travel

Directions: Choose one of the words below and write a short report (6 to 8 sentences). You may use a dictionary or etymology resource if your teacher allows it. If not, invent a plausible timeline based on patterns you saw, but label it as a hypothesis.

Word choices: **broadcast, virus, literal, tablet, cloud**

Your report must include:

- The earliest meaning you can find or hypothesize.
- At least two stages of change.
- The modern meaning.
- A label for at least one type of semantic change (amelioration, pejoration, broadening, narrowing, metaphor).
- One sentence explaining what social or technological change might have influenced the shift.

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