

Timeline of Major World Events

BC

6000 - Rice first cultivated in Asia; Wheel invented

3000 - Sumerians create cuneiform writing

1184 - Fall of Troy

753 - Rome founded

650 - First coins used

500 - Golden Age of Greece

399 - Death of Socrates

338 - Alexander the Great begins conquest

280 - First battle between Greeks and Romans

206 - Rome conquers Spain

45 - Julius Caesar rules Rome

4 - Jesus born

AD

30 - Jesus crucified

43 - Rome invades Britain

70 - Work begun on Roman colosseum

260 - Work begun on Great Wall of China

433 - Attila the Hun

476 - End of Roman Empire

711 - Muslims invade Spain

871 - First king of England

1000 - Leif Erikson to North America

1096 - First Crusade begins

1145 - 2nd Crusade

1150 - Chinese invent rockets

1189 - 3rd Crusade

1228 - 6th Crusade

1258 - English Parliament established

1270 - Last Crusade

1325 - Aztecs build Tenochtitlan

1348 - Black Plague in Europe

1429 - Joan of Arc

1438 - First printing press in Europe

1455 - Pope approves slave trade

1492 - First voyage of Columbus to America

1503 - Leonardo's Mona Lisa painted

1517 - Slavery begins in the Americas

1519 - Magellan leaves to sail around the entire world



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1534 - England splits from Roman Catholic church

1541 - De Soto finds the Mississippi River

1564 - Shakespeare and Galileo born

1576 - First theatre in England built

1607 - Jamestown built - First permanent English colony in America

1608 - Telescope invented by Galileo

1614 - Dutch found New York City

1616 - Blood circulation discovered

1620 - Pilgrims found Plymouth Plantation

1692 - Salem witch trials

1732 - George Washington born

1752 - Benjamin Franklin discovers electricity

1776 - American Declaration of Independence

1787 - US Constitution

1791 - US Bill of Rights

1792 - French Revolutionary Wars begin

1796 - Napoleon rises to power; First vaccination

1813 - Mexico declares independence from Spain

1820 - Spanish demand a constitution

1829 - First railroads

1836 - Texan war for independence

1838 - Photography invented

1844 - YMCA founded

1846 - Neptune discovered

1860 - US Civil War begins

1861 - First Cinco de Mayo (Mexican victory over French)

1865 - 13th Amendment abolishes slavery in America

1876 - Telephone invented by A. G. Bell

1886 - Statue of Liberty

1893 - First car built by Henry Ford

1895 - X-rays discovered

1901 - Walt Disney born

1903 - First flight of airplane by Wrights

1912 - Titanic sinks



Timeline of Major World Events (page 3)

1914 - World War I begins

1919 - World War I ends

1930 - Pluto discovered

1939 - World War II begins

1943 - First use of antibiotics (Penicillin)

1945 - Atomic bomb used; World War II ends

1954 - US Supreme Court outlaws racial segregation in schools

1957 - Space race begins when USSR (Russia) launches Sputnik I

1965 - First man on the moon

1976 - Viking 2 lands on Mars

1980 - Titanic found

1981 - Voyager 2 reaches Saturn; Personal computer introduced

1985 - Hole in the Ozone Layer found

1991 - Persian Gulf War (Desert Storm)

1997 - First cloning (sheep)

2001 - September 11th - bombing of World Trade Center in New York City

2004 - December - Tsunami in Southeast Asia

