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Sept. 6

*1620:*

*Pilgrims sail  
from England*

# 2

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Sept. 7

*Brazil's*

*Independence  
Day (1822)*

3

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Sept. 8

*1940:*

*Jack Prelutsky's  
birthday*

4

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Sept. 9

*1776:*

*“United States”  
name is chosen by  
Continental Congress*

5

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Sept. 9

*1850:*

*California  
becomes 31<sup>st</sup> state*

Sept. 12

*1609:*

*Henry Hudson  
begins to explore  
Hudson River*

6

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Sept. 13

*1916:*

*Roald Dahl's  
birthday*

7

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Sept. 14

*1964: Helen Keller*

*awarded  
Presidential Medal  
of Freedom*

8

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Sept. 15

*1934:*

*Tomie dePaola's  
birthday*

9

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Sept. 16

*1821:*

*Mexico's  
Independence Day*

# 10

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## Sept. 19

*1796: George Washington's  
farewell address as  
U.S. President*

# 11

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## Sept. 20

*Magellan begins  
first successful  
circumnavigation  
of world (1519)*

# 12

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Sept. 21

*Philippines:  
National  
Thanksgiving Day*

# 13

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Sept. 22

*Mali's  
Independence  
Day (1960)*

# 14

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Sept. 23

*63 BCE*

*Octavian's birthday  
(1<sup>st</sup> Roman  
Emperor)*

# 15

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Sept. 26

*1774:*

*Johnny Appleseed's  
birthday*

# 16

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## Sept. 27

*2008:*

*Zhai Zhigang is  
China's 1<sup>st</sup> astronaut  
to walk in space*

# 17

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## Sept. 28

*American army  
and French ships  
begin siege of  
Yorktown, VA (1781)*

# 18

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## Sept. 29

*1608:*

*Christopher Newport  
arrives in Jamestown  
on 2<sup>nd</sup> supply mission*

# 19

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## Sept. 30

*1787:*

*1<sup>st</sup> American ship to  
circumnavigate the  
world leaves Boston*

20

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Oct. 3

*1905:*

*Munro Leaf's  
birthday*

21

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Oct. 4

*1924:*

*Donald Sobol's  
birthday*

22

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Oct. 5

*1960:*

*David Shannon's  
birthday*

23

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Oct. 6

*1941:*

*Steven Kellogg's  
birthday*

24

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Oct. 7

*1893:*

*Alice Dalgliesh's  
birthday*

25

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Oct. 10

*1942:*

*James Marshall's  
birthday*

26

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Oct. 11

*1884:*

*Eleanor Roosevelt's  
birthday*

27

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Oct. 12

*1492:*

*Christopher Columbus  
lands  
in the Bahamas*

28

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Oct. 13

*1792:*

*Construction begins  
on the  
White House*

29

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Oct. 14

*1926:*

*“Winnie-the-Pooh”  
published*

30

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Oct. 17

*1781:*

*Americans defeat  
British at*

*Yorktown, VA*

31

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Oct. 18

*1898:*

*United States takes  
possession of  
Puerto Rico*

*Yorktown (1781)*

32

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Oct. 19

*George Washington  
accepts British  
surrender at*

33

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Oct. 20

*1820: Spain  
sells part of  
Florida to U.S.*

34

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Oct. 21

*1929:  
Ursula LeGuin's  
birthday*

35

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Oct. 24

*West Virginia  
separates from  
Virginia (1861)*

36

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Oct. 25

*1941:  
Steven Kellogg's  
birthday*

37

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Oct. 26

*Norway becomes  
independent from  
Sweden (1905)*

38

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Oct. 27

*1682:  
Philadelphia, PA  
is founded*

# 39

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## Oct. 28

*Statue of Liberty  
dedicated in  
New York (1886)*

# 40

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## Oct. 31

*1451:  
Christopher  
Columbus'  
birthday*

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Oct. 31

*1864:*

*Nevada*

*becomes 36<sup>th</sup> state*

# 41

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Nov. 1

*79:*

*Pompeii buried  
by Mt. Vesuvius*

# 42

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Nov. 2

*1889:*

*North Dakota  
becomes 39<sup>th</sup> state*

# 43

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Nov. 2

*1889:*

*South Dakota  
becomes 40<sup>th</sup> state*

Nov. 3

*1796:*

*John Adams  
elected 2<sup>nd</sup> president*

44

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Nov. 4

*1842:*

*Abraham Lincoln  
married wife, Mary*

45

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Nov. 7

*1805:*

*Lewis & Clark,  
American explorers,  
see Pacific Ocean*

# 46

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## Nov. 9

*U.S. president  
visits foreign  
country for 1<sup>st</sup> time  
(1906: Panama)*

# 47

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## Nov. 10

*1969:  
“Sesame Street”  
premieres on PBS*

# 48

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Nov. 11

*1889:*

*Washington  
becomes 42<sup>nd</sup> state*

Nov. 11

*1919:*

*World War I  
ends*

# 49

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Nov. 14

*1940:*

*William Steig's  
birthday*

# 50

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Nov. 15

*1859:*

*First modern  
Olympics in Athens*

51

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Nov. 16

*1907:*

*Oklahoma  
becomes 46<sup>th</sup> state*

52

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Nov. 17

*1800:*

*John Adams is 1<sup>st</sup>  
president to move  
into White House*

53

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Nov. 21

*1789:*

*North Carolina  
becomes 12<sup>th</sup> state*

54

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Nov. 22

*1858:*

*Denver, CO  
is founded*

55

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Nov. 28

*1931:*

*Ed Young's  
birthday*

56

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Nov. 29

*1922:*

*Howard Carter  
opens King Tut's  
tomb to public*

57

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Nov. 30

*1946:*

*C.S. Lewis'*

*birthday*

58

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Dec. 1

*1955:*

*Rosa Parks  
arrested*

59

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Dec. 2

*1946:*

*David Macaulay's  
birthday*

# 60

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## Dec. 5

*1901:*

*Walt Disney's  
birthday*

# 61

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## Dec. 6

*1865:*

*13<sup>th</sup> Amendment  
is ratified,  
banning slavery*

# 62

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## Dec. 7

*1787:*

*Delaware*

*becomes 1<sup>st</sup> state*

# 63

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## Dec. 8

*1776: General*

*George Washington*

*retreats across*

*Delaware River*

# 64

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Dec. 9

*1899:*

*Jean deBrunhoff's  
birthday*

# 65

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Dec. 12

*1787:*

*Pennsylvania  
becomes 2<sup>nd</sup> state*

67

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Dec. 13

*1954:*

*Tamora Pierce's  
birthday*

67

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Dec. 14

*1819:*

*Alabama  
becomes 22<sup>nd</sup> state*

# 68

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## Dec. 15

*1791:*

*Bill of Rights  
becomes law*

# 69

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## Dec. 16

*1773:*

*Boston Tea Party,  
Americans protest  
British taxes*

# 70

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## Dec. 19

*1777: General  
George Washington  
settles troops in  
Valley Forge, PA*

# 71

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## Dec. 20

*1606:  
Christopher Newport  
leaves England  
for Virginia*

# 72

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## Dec. 21

*1606: The  
Mayflower and the  
Pilgrims arrive at  
Plymouth Rock, MA*

73

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Jan. 3

*1959:*

*Alaska*

*becomes 49<sup>th</sup> state*

74

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Jan. 4

*1896:*

*Utah*

*becomes 45<sup>th</sup> state*

75

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Jan. 5

*George*

*Washington Carver*  
*day*

76

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Jan. 6

*1912:*

*New Mexico*  
*becomes 47<sup>th</sup> state*

77

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Jan. 9

*1788:*

*Connecticut  
becomes 5<sup>th</sup> state*

78

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Jan. 10

*1951:*

*United Nations  
headquarters opens  
in New York City*

# 79

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## Jan. 11

*1935: Amelia*

*Earhart is first  
person to fly solo from  
Hawaii to California*

# 80

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## Jan. 12

*1908:*

*Clement Hurd's  
birthday*

# 81

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## Jan. 13

*1794: Congress  
changes U.S. flag to  
15 stars  
and 15 stripes*

# 82

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## Jan. 17

*1706:  
Benjamin Franklin's  
birthday*

83

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Jan. 18

*1882:*

*A.A. Milne's  
birthday*

84

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Jan. 19

*1840:*

*American explorer  
Charles Wilkes sails  
around Antarctica*

# 85

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## Jan. 20

*1502: Location of  
Rio de Janeiro,  
Brazil is first  
explored*

# 86

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## Jan. 23

*1849: Elizabeth  
Blackwell becomes  
first American  
woman doctor*

87

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Jan. 24

*1848:*

*California*

*Gold Rush begins*

88

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Jan. 25

*41:*

*Claudius becomes  
emperor of Rome*

# 89

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Jan. 26

*1837:*

*Michigan*

*becomes 26<sup>th</sup> state*

# 90

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Jan. 30

*1924:*

*Lloyd*

*Alexander's*

*birthday*

# 91

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Jan. 31

*1919:*

*Jackie Robinson's  
birthday*

92

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Feb. 1

*1941:*

*Jerry Spinelli's  
birthday*

93

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Feb. 2

*1931:*

*Judith Viorst's  
birthday*

94

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Feb. 3

*1783:*

*Spain  
recognizes  
U.S. independence*

95

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Feb. 6

*1788:*

*Massachusetts  
becomes 6<sup>th</sup> state*

96

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Feb. 7

*1867:*

*Laura Ingalls  
Wilder's birthday*

97

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Feb. 8

*1693:*

*College of  
William and Mary's  
charter day*

98

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Feb. 9

*1870:*

*U.S.*

*Weather Bureau  
is established*

99

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Feb. 10

*1930:*

*E.L. Konigsburg's  
birthday*

# 100

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## Feb. 13

*1668:*

*Spain recognizes  
Portugal as an  
independent nation*

# 101

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## Feb. 14

*1859:*

*Oregon  
becomes 33<sup>rd</sup> state*

# 102

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## Feb. 14

*1912:*

*Arizona  
becomes 48<sup>th</sup> state*

## Feb. 15

*1820:*

*Susan B. Anthony's  
birthday*

103

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Feb. 16

*1923:*

*Howard Carter  
unseals tomb of  
King Tut*

104

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Feb. 17

*1801:*

*Thomas Jefferson  
elected President*

105

106

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Feb. 21

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Feb. 22

*1885:*

*Washington  
Monument  
is dedicated*

*1732:*

*George Washington's  
birthday*

# 107

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## Feb. 23

*1945:*

*U.S. Marines  
raise flag on  
Iwo Jima*

# 108

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## Feb. 24

*1821:*

*Mexico  
gains independence  
from Spain*

# 109

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## Feb. 27

*Charlotte Ray, 1<sup>st</sup>  
African-American  
woman lawyer  
graduates (1872)*

# 110

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## Feb. 28

*Teachers' Day  
celebrated  
in Egypt*

111

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Feb. 29

*1504: By predicting a  
lunar eclipse,  
Christopher Columbus  
obtains supplies*

112

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Mar. 1

*1803:  
Ohio  
becomes 17<sup>th</sup> state*

113

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Mar. 1

*1867:*

*Nebraska*

*becomes 37<sup>th</sup> state*

Mar. 2

*1904:*

*Dr. Seuss'*

*birthday*

114

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Mar. 5

*1946:*

*Mem Fox's  
birthday*

115

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Mar. 6

*1957:*

*Ghana's  
independence day*

*from Britain*

116

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Mar. 7

*1876:*

*Alexander*

*Graham Bell*

*patents telephone*

117

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Mar. 8

*1939:*

*Trina Schart*

*Hyman's birthday*

118

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Mar. 9

*1454:*

*Amerigo Vespucci's*

*birthday*

# 119

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Mar. 12

*1946:*

*Virginia Hamilton's  
birthday*

# 120

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Mar. 13

*1928:*

*Ellen Raskin's  
birthday*

*birthday*

121

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Mar. 14

*1889:*

*Marguerite  
deAngeli's*

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122

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Mar. 15

*1493: Christopher  
Columbus arrives  
back in Spain*

123

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Mar. 16

*1920:  
Sid Fleischman's  
birthday*

# 124

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Mar. 19

*1820:*

*Maine*

*becomes 23<sup>rd</sup> state*

# 125

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Mar. 20

*1937:*

*Lois Lowry's*

*birthday*

# 126

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Mar. 20

*1954:*

*Louis Sachar's  
birthday*

Mar. 21

*1953:*

*David Wisniewski's  
birthday*

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## Mar. 21

*1617:*

*Pocahontas  
dies at age 22*

## Mar. 22

*1622:*

*Powhatan attacks  
Jamestown starting  
10 year war*

128

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Mar. 23

*1857:*

*1<sup>st</sup> passenger  
elevator installed in  
New York City*

129

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Mar. 26

*1971:*

*Bangladesh declares  
independence  
from Pakistan*

130

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Mar. 27

*1513:*

*Juan Ponce de Leon  
arrives in Florida*

131

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Mar. 28

*1990:*

*Jesse Owens awarded  
Congressional  
Medal of Honor*

132

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Mar. 29

*1790:*

*John Tyler's  
birthday  
(10<sup>th</sup> president)*

133

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Mar. 30

*1982:*

*Columbia,  
1<sup>st</sup> space shuttle  
lands*

134

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Apr. 10

*1934:*

*Richard Peck's  
birthday*

135

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Apr. 11

*1689:*

*William & Mary  
are crowned British  
king and queen*

136

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Apr. 12

*1916:*

*Beverly Cleary's  
birthday*

137

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Apr. 13

*1743:*

*Thomas Jefferson's  
birthday*

138

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Apr. 16

*1912:*

*Garth William's  
birthday*

139

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Apr. 17

*1524:*

*Giovanni da  
Verrazzano reaches  
New York harbor*

# 140

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Apr. 18

*1775:*

*Paul Revere rides  
to warn citizens  
of British troops*

# 141

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Apr. 19

*1775:*

*American  
Revolution begins  
(Lexington and Concord)*

# 142

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## Apr. 20

*Jacques Cartier  
leaves France for  
Canada (1534)*

# 143

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## Apr. 23

*1564:  
William Shakespeare's  
birthday*

# 144

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Apr. 24

*1184 BCE:*

*Greeks enter Troy  
using the  
Trojan horse*

Apr. 24

*1935:*

*Patricia Reilly  
Giff's birthday*

145

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Apr. 25

*1719:*

*“Robinson Crusoe”  
is published*

146

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Apr. 26

*1607:*

*English settlers land  
at Cape Henry before  
sailing to Jamestown*

147

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Apr. 27

*1927:*

*Coretta Scott  
King's birthday*

148

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Apr. 30

*1789:*

*George Washington  
inaugurated as  
1<sup>st</sup> president*

# 149

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## Apr. 30

*1812:*

*Louisiana*

*becomes 18<sup>th</sup> state*

## May 1

*1930:*

*Dwarf planet*

*“Pluto”*

*is officially named*

# 150

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## May 2

*1497:*

*John Cabot*

*departs England for  
North America*

# 151

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## May 3

*1938:*

*Patricia*

*MacLachlan's  
birthday*

152

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May 4

*1945:*

*Don Wood's  
birthday*

153

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May 7

*1932:*

*Nonny Hogrogian's  
birthday*

1544

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May 8

*1541*

*Hernando deSoto  
reaches the  
Mississippi River*

1555

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May 9

*1906:*

*Eleanor Estes'  
birthday*

156

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May 10

*1534:*

*Jacques Cartier  
arrives in Canada*

157

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May 11

*1858:*

*Minnesota  
becomes 32<sup>nd</sup> state*

# 158

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## May 14

*Christopher*

*Newport arrives at  
Jamestown (1607)*

# 159

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## May 15

*1856:*

*L. Frank Baum's  
birthday*

# 160

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May 16

*1866:*

*The nickel coin is  
introduced*

# 161

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May 17

*1939:*

*Gary Paulsen's  
birthday*

# 162

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May 18

*1925:*

*Lillian Hoban's  
birthday*

# 163

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May 21

*1881:*

*Clara Barton  
establishes the  
Red Cross*

# 164

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May 22

*1933:*

*Arnold Lobel's  
birthday*

# 165

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May 23

*1788:*

*South Carolina  
becomes 8<sup>th</sup> state*

# 1666

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## May 24

*1614:*

*Pocahontas*

*marries*

*John Rolfe*

# 1687

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## May 25

*1787:*

*George Washington*

*opens Constitutional*

*Convention*

# 168

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May 29

*1790:*

*Rhode Island*

*becomes 13<sup>th</sup> state*

May 29

*1848:*

*Wisconsin*

*becomes 30<sup>th</sup> state*

# 169

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## May 30

*1922:*

*Lincoln Memorial  
opened*

# 170

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## May 31

*1577:*

*Martin Frobisher  
Sailson 2<sup>nd</sup> voyage  
to Canada*

# 171

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June 1

*1792:*

*Kentucky*

*becomes 15<sup>th</sup> state*

June 1

*1796:*

*Tennessee*

*becomes 16<sup>th</sup> state*

172

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June 4

*Pocahontas  
captured and  
brought to  
Jamestown (1613)*

173

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June 5

*1919:  
Richard Scarry's  
birthday*

# 174

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## June 6

*1954:*

*Cynthia Rylant's  
birthday*

# 175

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## June 7

*1862:*

*U.S. and Britain  
sign treaty to  
suppress slave trade*

*Independence*

176

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June 11

*1776:*

*Thomas Jefferson*

*is appointed to write*

*Declaration of*

1777

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June 12

*1776:*

*Virginia*

*adopts*

*Declaration of Rights*

# 178

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## June 13

*1967:*

*Thurgood Marshall  
appointed to  
Supreme Court*

# 179

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## June 14

*1777:*

*The Stars & Stripes  
is named flag of the  
United States*

# 180

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June 15

*George Washington is named commander-in-chief of continental army (1775).*

Mar. 31

*1927:  
Cesar Chavez's  
birthday*

---

Jan. 1

*1752:*

*Betsy Ross's  
birthday*

---

Feb. 12

*1809:*

*Abraham Lincoln's  
birthday*

---

Dec. 29

*John Smith brought to  
Powhatan and is saved  
by Pocahontas (1607)*

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Jan. 15

*1929:  
Martin Luther  
King Jr's birthday*

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Mar. 4

*Juan Ponce de Leon  
leaves Puerto Rico  
for Florida (1513)*

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Feb. 4

*1913:  
Rosa Park's  
birthday*

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Mar. 4

*Juan Ponce de Leon  
leaves Puerto Rico  
for Florida (1513)*

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Nov. 25

*1946:  
Marc Brown's  
birthday*

---

Oct. 8

*1930:*

*Faith Ringgold's  
birthday*

---

Nov. 27

*1946:*

*Kevin Henkes'  
birthday*

---

Feb. 11

*1939:*

*Jane Yolen's  
birthday*

---

Feb. 12

*1938:*

*Judy Blume's  
birthday*

---

Feb. 12

*1963:*

*Jacqueline Woodson's  
birthday*

---

Apr. 5

*1614:*

*Pocahontas  
marries John Rolfe*

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Mar. 3

*1938:*

*Patricia MacLachlan's  
birthday*

---

Mar. 11

*1916:*

*Ezra Jack Keat's  
birthday*

---

June 10

*1928:*

*Maurice Sendak's  
birthday*

---

Mar. 11

*1916:*

*Ezra Jack Keat's  
birthday*

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**Mar. 4**

*1791:*

*Vermont*

*becomes 14<sup>th</sup> state*

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**Mar. 8**

*1936:*

*Mark Thaler's*

*birthday*

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Dec. 18

*1787:*

*New Jersey*

*becomes 3<sup>rd</sup> state*

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Jan. 2

*1788:*

*Georgia*

*becomes 4<sup>th</sup> state*

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Apr. 28

*1788:*

*Maryland  
becomes 7<sup>th</sup> state*

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June 21

*1788:*

*New Hampshire  
becomes 9<sup>th</sup> state*

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June 25

*1788:*

*Virginia*

*becomes 10<sup>th</sup> state*

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July 26

*1788:*

*New York*

*becomes 11<sup>th</sup> state*

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Dec. 10

*1817:*

*Mississippi*

*becomes 20<sup>th</sup> state*

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Dec. 11

*1816:*

*Indiana*

*becomes 19<sup>th</sup> state*

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Dec. 3

*1818:*

*Illinois*

*becomes 21<sup>st</sup> state*

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Nov. 8

*1889:*

*Montana*

*becomes 41<sup>st</sup> state*

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Dec. 28

*1846:*

*Iowa*

*becomes 29<sup>th</sup> state*

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Dec. 29

*1845:*

*Texas*

*becomes 28<sup>th</sup> state*

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Jan. 29

*1861:*

*Kansas*

*becomes 34<sup>th</sup> state*

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June 20

*1863:*

*West Virginia*

*becomes 35<sup>th</sup> state*

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July 3

*1890:*

*Idaho*

*becomes 43<sup>rd</sup> state*

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July 10

*1890:*

*Wyoming*

*becomes 44<sup>th</sup> state*

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Aug. 1

*1876:*

*Colorado*

*becomes 38<sup>th</sup> state*

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Aug. 21

*1969:*

*Hawaii*

*becomes 50<sup>th</sup> state*

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Aug. 10

*1821:*

*Missouri*

*becomes 24<sup>th</sup> state*

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June 15

*1836:*

*Arkansas*

*becomes 25<sup>th</sup> state*

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Mar. 3

*1845:*

*Florida*

*becomes 27<sup>th</sup> state*

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May 5

*1910:*

*Leo Lionni's*

*birthday*

---

Jan. 16

*1958:*

*Marla Frazee's  
birthday*

---

Feb. 5

*1956:*

*David Wiesner's  
birthday*

---

Feb. 11

*1968:*

*Mo Willem's  
birthday*

---

Dec. 22

*1939:*

*Jerry Pinkney's  
birthday*