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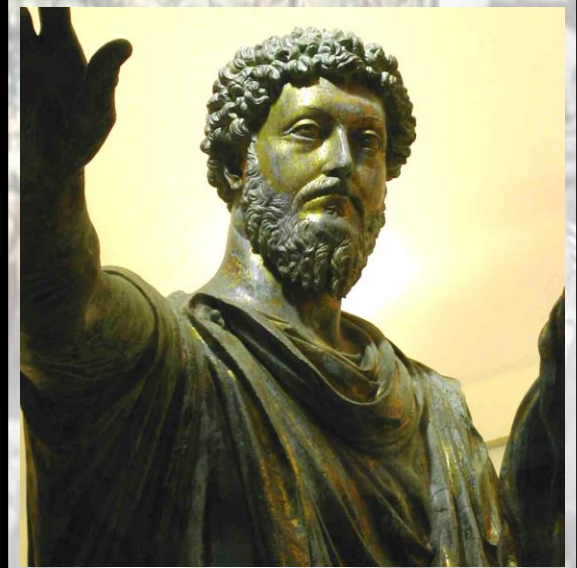
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Marcus Aurelius is born in Rome. Dubbed the last of the “Five Good Emperors”, he ruled from 161-180. His death ended the *Pax Romana*.



Q: *What was the Pax Romana?*



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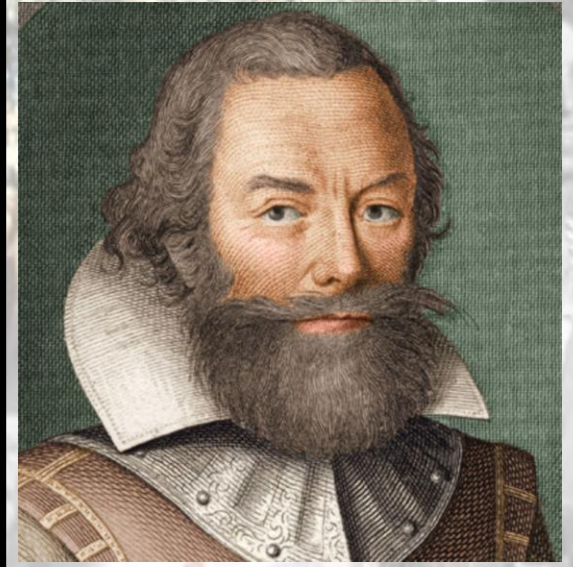
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1607



A group of English colonists land at Cape Henry, VA, where they establish the first permanent English settlement in the New World.



Q: *Who was their leader?*



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1803



Thousands of meteor fragments fall from the skies of L'Aigle, France. The event convinces European scientists that meteors do exist.

Q: What is a meteor?



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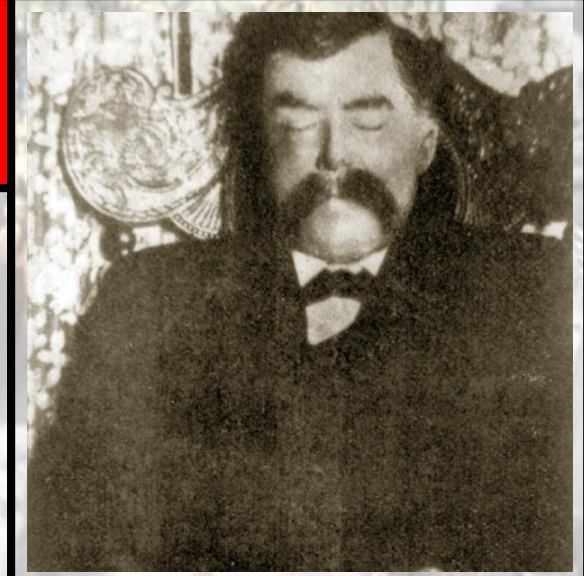
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1865



The assassin of Abraham Lincoln is killed when Union soldiers track him down to a Virginia farm 12 days after he killed the President.



Q: What assassin?



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1933



The Secret State Police of Nazi Germany is founded by Hermann Goring. The next year, it came under the administration of the *Schutzstaffel* (or SS).



Q: What Secret Police?



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1954



After being declared “safe” just 14 days earlier, a field trial begins for the polio vaccine created by Dr. Jonas Salk. Over 1.8 million children partake.



Q: What U.S. President suffered from polio?



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1977



Studio 54, one of the most famous nightclubs in the world, opens in New York City. Its doors eventually closed in 1980.

Q: What kind of music played at Studio 54?



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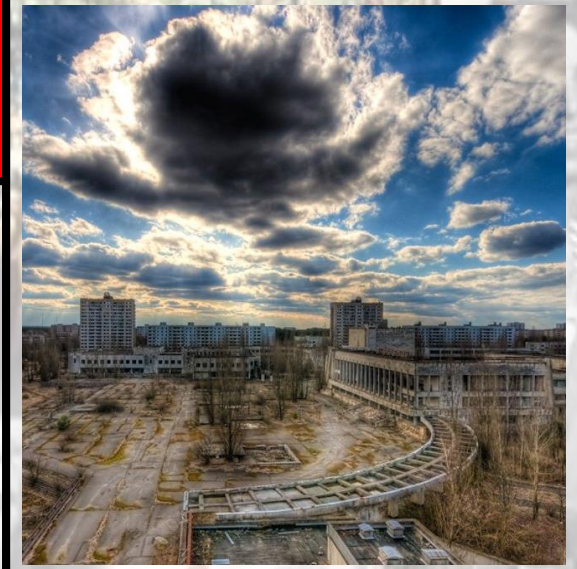
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1986



The world's worst nuclear accident occurs in the Ukraine in the U.S.S.R. Nuclear fallout is reported 800 miles from the plant; 5,000 die from radiation.



FALLOUT SHELTER



Q: *What power plant?*



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1989



The deadliest tornado in world history strikes Central Bangladesh, killing 1,300, injuring 12,000, and leaving 80,000 homeless.



Q: How are tornados measured?



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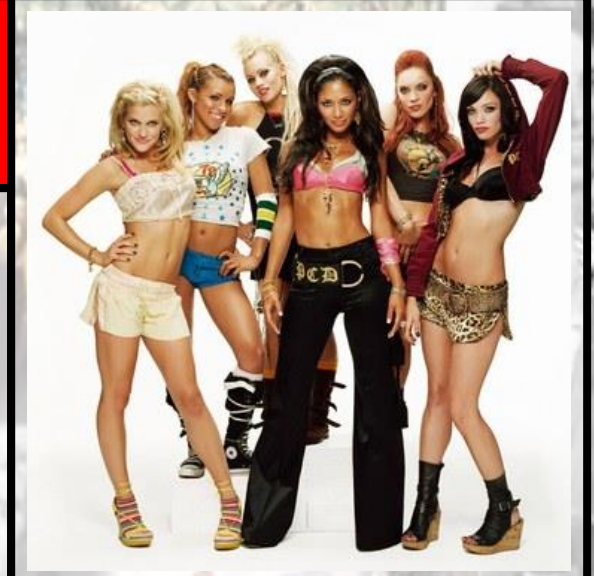
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2005



The song “Don’t Cha” is released by The Pussycat Dolls. While it peaked at #2 on the *Billboard* Hot 100, it sold over 6 million copies worldwide.



Q: Name another famous all-female pop group.



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Today is...



National Pretzel Day

Just in case you needed an extra reason to celebrate!

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Birthdays



Is it your birthday?

If so, see Dr. Hartnell for
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Happy Birthday to you!

