

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

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What is Black History Month?

In February 1926, black historian Dr.
Carter G. Woodson organized the celebration of "Negro History Week" during the second week of February in honor of the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln. The week-long celebration grew in popularity, and by the early 1970s, it expanded to include the entire month.









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1542



Catherine Howard, the fifth wife of King Henry VIII, is beheaded for adultery. They were married for almost 2 years... but she was 19 and he was 49 at the time.













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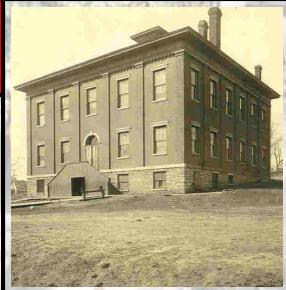


1635



The first public school in the future United States, called the Latin Public School, opens its door. Life instantly begins to suck for kids in the colonies.

Q: Where was this first school located?











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1689



Following the "Bloodless"
Glorious Revolution, these 2
people are proclaimed joint
monarchs after signing the
English Bill of Rights.

Q: What 2 people?











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1920



The National Negro Baseball League is organized. It lasted until the 1950s when integration lures the best players to MLB.













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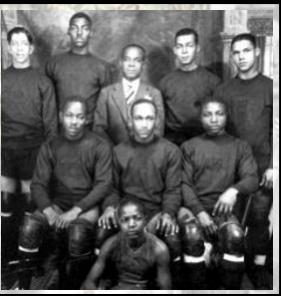


1923



The first black pro-basketball team, the New York Renaissance, is formed. They compiled a 2,588-539 record in the National Basketball League. In 1949, they disbanded when the NBL joined the NBA.

Q: Who was their rival?











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1923



Chuck Yeager is born in Myra, WV. In 1978, he becomes the first man to break the sound barrier in the X-1 aircraft when he traveled 662 mph.

Q: What's the sound barrier?











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1945



During WWII, the "firebombing" of the Germany city of Dresden begins as British planes attack. Over 25,000 civilians die, and 80% of the city is leveled.













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1947



The winningest coach in Div. I Men's College Basketball is born in Chicago. He coached from 1975-2022 (for Army and Duke) with a 1,202-368 (.765) record.













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1960



France detonates its first atomic bomb, making them the fourth to do so. Today, there are 8 countries with "the bomb" and 1 that is REALLY trying hard.













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1976



Rock musician Peter Frampton releases *Frampton Comes Alive!*, a double live album. His use of a talk box and the "wah wah" pedal made him unique.













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Today is...



National Get A Different Name 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 your official Birthday Pencil!

Happy Birthday to you!

