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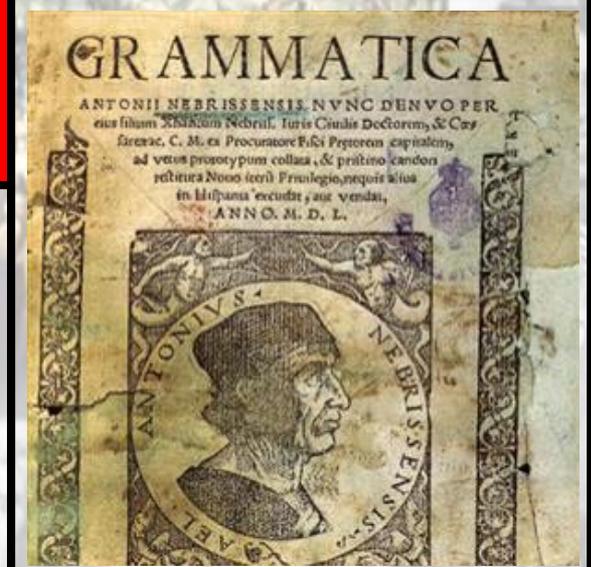


1492



Spain's Queen Isabella is presented with the first grammar book (of a modern language). Obviously, the book is in Spanish.

Q: Why we gots to know grammar?



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1896



The first 5-on-5 basketball game is played in Iowa City, Iowa. It sees the University of Chicago defeat the University of Iowa by a score of 15-12.

Q: When was the 3-pointer introduced?



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1919



The 18th Amendment goes into effect after being sent to the states for ratification in 1917. In 1933, however, the 21st Amendment repealed it.

Q: What are the 18th and 21st Amendments?



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1944



During World War II, Dwight D. Eisenhower is appointed Supreme Allied Commander of “Operation Overlord”.

Q: *For what was “Overlord” a code-name?*



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1945



During WWII, Nazi Adolf Hitler goes into his underground bunker in Berlin, the so-called *Führerbunker*. He remains there until he dies 105 days later.



Q: How does Hitler die?



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1953



This sports car is introduced at New York's Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. It became an instant classic, despite being somewhat underpowered.



Q: What sports car?



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1961



This Yankee becomes the highest paid AL player when he signs a deal to make \$75,000/yr. (\$770K today). Willie Mays made \$85,000/yr. (\$875K today) in NL.



Q: *What NY Yankee?*



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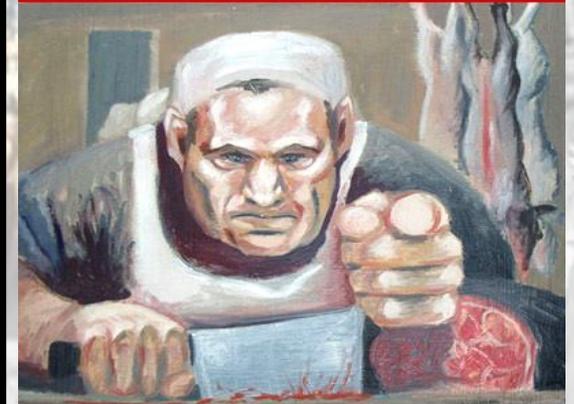
1973



National Do-Nothing Day, a day in which people “sit around, hang out, and observe, honor, and celebrate nothing”, is created by Harold Coffin.

Q: To celebrate, Dr. H won't ask a question.

I WANT YOU



TO DO NOTHING



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1991



At midnight in Iraq, the UN deadline for withdrawal from Kuwait ends. At 2:45am Iraqi time (6:45pm EST), U.S. fighters are launched from Saudi Arabia.



Q: Why was Kuwait important?



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2005



This American punk rock band hits #1 when its song “American Idiot” takes the top spot on the *Billboard* Hot 100.



Q: *What punk rock band?*



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Today is...



National Do Nothing 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!

