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# This Week in History

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Estimated play time: Varies

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Scoring board/pad

Suitable for visually impaired players.

## Overview:

This weekly quiz looks at historical events for each day of this coming week – just a question or two per day. You can choose to make this a standard group game ... or you might think about posting the questions for each day – perhaps in the dining room or the elevator – to inspire participation even from those residents who don't join in on the group game activities.

## Instructions:

1. This game can be played by individuals or in teams.
2. Read the first clue. Discussion is permitted among teammates. Prior to the start of the game, a method to signal when a player/team is ready to answer must be determined. Ringing bells and New Year's blowers are just two inexpensive noisemakers. Raised hands work, but the host must be vigilant to watch for whose hand went up first. The host always has the final say in any disputes.
3. After a player/team is recognized as the first to signal, they may give an answer. If the first answer is incorrect, the others may 'buzz' in and answer.
4. Keep score (10 points for each answer) after each question is answered correctly. Play until all questions have been asked and answered.

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## JUNE 30

1. 1921. U.S. President Warren G. Harding appointed this former President as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.
2. 1997. After 156 years of British rule, the United Kingdom transferred sovereignty over Hong Kong to this nation.

## JULY 1

3. 1863. This decisive Civil War battle in Pennsylvania began. It would prove to be the turning point for the North and would inspire one of President Lincoln's most remembered speeches.
4. 1984. The Motion Picture Association of America, which oversees the rating system for movies, introduced this new rating category that fell between G (for general audiences) and M (for mature audiences).

## JULY 2

5. 1937. At 8:43 AM, the last radio signal from this aviator was heard by the crew of the US Coast Guard cutter Itasca, located in the South Pacific.
6. 1979. With the introduction of a new one-dollar coin, this activist became the first woman to be depicted on U.S. currency.

## JULY 3

7. 1962. This second-baseman became the first African American to be inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame.
8. 1971. This American singer and songwriter, who was the charismatic lead singer of the psychedelic rock group The Doors, died at age 27 in Paris. The official cause of death was heart failure, though no autopsy was required by French law.

## JULY 4

9. 1776. This document, which called for the American colonies to secede from Great Britain, was adopted by the Second Continental Congress.
10. 1826. The second and third presidents of the United States, died within hours of each other in their home states. Can you name them?

## JULY 5

11. 1954. He recorded his first commercial record, "That's All Right," at Sun Records in Memphis, Tennessee.
12. 1996. The first mammal cloned from an adult cell was born at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland. What kind of mammal was it?

## JULY 6

13. 1885. This French scientist, the father of microbiology, successfully tested his vaccine against rabies on Joseph Meister, a boy who was savagely bitten by a rabid dog.
14. 1942. Anne Frank and her family went into hiding in a secret Annex above her father's office in a warehouse in this city.

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## ANSWERS

### JUNE 30

1. William Howard Taft. Taft is the only person to serve as both president and Supreme Court Justice.
2. China

### JULY 1

3. The Battle of Gettysburg
4. PG-13

### JULY 2

5. Amelia Earhart
6. Susan B. Anthony

### JULY 3

7. Jackie Robinson
8. Jim Morrison

### JULY 4

9. The Declaration of Independence
10. John Adams (of Massachusetts) and Thomas Jefferson (of Virginia).

### JULY 5

11. Elvis Presley
12. A sheep named Dolly (named after Dolly Parton)

### JULY 6

13. Louis Pasteur, whose rabies experiment work. Joseph Meister is the first person in history to survive rabies.
14. Amsterdam. Anne Frank lived in that factory attic for just over two years before being captured by the Nazis.