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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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## JULY 21

1. 1969. This astronaut became the first person to walk on the moon, followed 19 minutes later by Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin.
2. 1979. Jay Silverheels, a Mohawk actor, became the first Native American to have a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. What role is Silverheels best known for?

## JULY 22

3. 1893. Katharine Lee Bates wrote this patriotic song after admiring the "spacious skies" at the top of Pikes Peak in the Colorado Rockies.
4. 1991. Police in Milwaukee arrested this serial killer, who admitted that he occasionally ate the flesh of his victims.

## JULY 23

5. 1962. This second baseman, who tore down racial barriers when he signed with the Brooklyn Dodgers, became the first African American inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame.
6. 2013. This US astronaut, America's first woman in space, died after a long battle with cancer at age 61.

## JULY 24

7. 1959. At the opening of the American National Exhibition in Moscow, US Vice President Richard Nixon and this Soviet Premier had a "Kitchen Debate."
8. 1987. Ninety-one-year-old American mountaineer Hulda Crooks became the oldest person ever to climb this highest peak in Japan.

## JULY 25

9. 1965. This singer/songwriter shocked the world of folk music when he abandoned his acoustic guitar for an electric one at the Newport Folk Festival in Rhode Island.
10. 1978. In Oldham, England, Louise Brown was born. She was the first baby conceived outside the womb through this new process.

## JULY 26

11. 1775. The US Postal System was established by this inventive Founding Father.
12. 1990. This US president signed the Americans with Disabilities Act into law. It provided civil rights protections to people with physical and mental disabilities.

## JULY 27

13. 1890. This troubled Dutch artist, whose paintings include *Starry Night* and *The Potato Eaters*, shot himself and died two days later.
14. 1996. A pipe bomb exploded at Centennial Olympic Park during the Olympic games in this US city, killing one person and injuring 111.

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## ANSWERS

### JULY 21

1. Neil Armstrong
2. He played Tonto on early television's *The Lone Ranger*.

### JULY 22

3. "America the Beautiful"
4. Jeffrey Dahmer. In 1994, Dahmer was beaten to death by two fellow prison inmates.

### JULY 23

5. Jackie Robinson
6. Sally Ride

### JULY 24

7. Nikita Khrushchev
8. Mt. Fuji

### JULY 25

9. Bob Dylan
10. In-vitro fertilization (IVF). Today, more than 8 million IVF babies have been born around the world.

### JULY 26

11. Benjamin Franklin
12. George H. W. Bush

### JULY 27

13. Vincent van Gogh
14. Atlanta