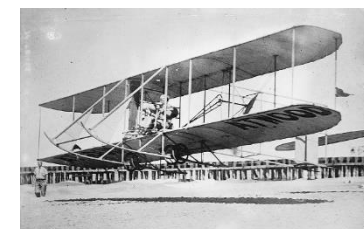


	Date(s)	Event
1	1903	First flight in an airplane (<i>by the Wright Brothers at Kitty Hawk</i>)
2	1907	Colour photography invented (<i>Lumiere brothers</i>)
3	1908	First Ford Model T car produced (<i>Henry Ford</i>)
4	1914 - 1918	First World War (<i>WW1</i>)
5	Oct. 1917	Russian Revolution (<i>Vladimir Lenin's Bolsheviks overthrew Tsar Nicholas II</i>)
6	1927	Charles Lindbergh became the first person to fly solo across the Atlantic
7	1928	Discovery of penicillin (<i>Alexander Fleming</i>)
8	1929	Wall Street Crash (<i>value of companies crashed after rapid over growth</i>)
9	1929 - 1939	Great Depression (<i>beginning in the USA & spread across the world</i>)
10	1930	Jet engine invented (<i>Frank Whittle & Dr Hans von Ohain</i>)
11	1939 - 1945	Second World War (<i>WW2</i>)
12	1939	Helicopter invented
13	1940	Colour television invented
14	1945	Atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima & Nagasaki led to the end of WW2
15	1945	Formation of the United Nations by 51 countries
16	1946	Microwave invented
17	1947	Indian Independence Act and Partition of India (<i>creation of Pakistan</i>)
18	1947	Mobile phone invented
19	1948	Formation of the nation state of Israel
20	1949	Formation of NATO (<i>initially 12 countries including the US, UK & France</i>)
21	1950 - 1953	Korean War (<i>no peace treaty was ever signed; demilitarized zone created</i>)
22	1953 - 1959	Cuban Revolution (<i>Fidel Castro overthrew President Batista</i>)
23	1954	First nuclear power plant opens in Obinsk in the USSR
24	1955	Signing of the Warsaw Pact (<i>defence treaty led by the USSR against NATO</i>)
25	1955 - 1975	Vietnam War (<i>US involved between 1965-1973</i>)
26	1962	Cuban Missile Crisis (<i>13 day stand-off between the USA & USSR</i>)
27	1969	Apollo 11 lands on the Moon (<i>Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin, Michael Collins</i>)
28	1969	Internet created (<i>at the Advanced Research Projects Agency</i>)
29	1971	Email invented
30	1979	First laptop computer
31	1986	Chernobyl disaster (<i>explosion at nuclear plant in the USSR</i>)
32	1989	Fall of the Berlin Wall (<i>Germany reunified in 1990</i>)
33	1989	Tiananmen square massacre (<i>pro-democracy protestors killed in Beijing</i>)
34	1991	World Wide Web created (<i>Tim Berners Lee</i>)
35	1991	Collapse of the USSR & dissolution of the Warsaw Pact
36	1992 - 1995	Bosnian War (<i>part of the break-up of Yugoslavia & genocide in Europe</i>)
37	1993	Formation of the European Union (<i>signing of the Maastricht Treaty</i>)
38	1994	End of apartheid in South Africa & election of Nelson Mandela

	Term	Definition
1	20 th Century	The period of time between 1 st January 1900 and 31 st December 1999
2	United Nations (UN)	Organisation including most of the world's countries aiming for world peace & security
3	European Union (EU)	Political and economic union of European countries, currently 28 countries (including UK)
4	USSR	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics – run by the Communist Party and dominated by Russia
5	NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organisation - founded on the idea of mutual defence, mainly European countries & USA (currently 29 countries)
6	Holocaust	The systematic killing of Jews by the Nazi party during WW2
7	Genocide	The deliberate killing of a large group of people, usually based on their ethnicity
8	Cold War	Period of hostility without direct conflict between USA & USSR and their allies between approximately 1945 - 1991
9	Apartheid	The policy of discrimination against non-whites in South Africa by the government (1948 – 1994)
10	Segregation	Separating and restricting people based on race
11	Discrimination	Unfair treatment of a person or group, based on gender, race, religion or other personal traits
12	Partition	The action or state of dividing a country into parts



Top left: Martin Luther King Jr.



Top right: Wright Brothers first flight



Bottom left: The Beatles



Bottom right: Atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima, Japan