

# TIMELINE

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## MUSICAL ERAS

1600-1750	Baroque Period
1750-1825	Classical Period
1825-1900	Romantic Period
1900-Present	Twentieth Century

## WORLD EVENTS/POLITICAL LEADERS/ CULTURAL EVENTS/ARTISTS AND WRITERS

1642	Sir Isaac Newton born
1692	Blackbeard the Pirate died
1719	Robinson Crusoe written
1720	First steam engine built in Europe
1725	Vivaldi wrote <i>The Four Seasons</i> Casanova, Italian adventurer, born Peter the Great of Russia died
1726	First measurement for blood pressure taken Jonathan Swift wrote <i>Gulliver's Travels</i>
1752	Ben Franklin flew a kite; discoveries in electricity
ca. 1770	Beginning of the Industrial Revolution
1770	Beethoven born
1775	American Revolution
1776	Declaration of Independence
1781	Rotary steam engine
1788	French Revolution
1803	Louisiana Purchase
1809	Charles Darwin born
1816	Invention of the metronome
1820	Harriet Tubman born
1836	Mexicans attack the Alamo
1843	William McKinley 25th President of the U.S.
1844	Berlioz wrote <i>Roman Carnival Overture</i> Wood-pulp paper invented S.F.B. Morse's telegraph used for the first time between Baltimore and Washington Y.M.C.A. founded in England by George Williams



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| 1846 | Iowa became a state of the U.S.   | 1944    | Copland wrote <i>Appalachian Spring</i><br>D-Day landing in Normandy, France during World War II<br>First modern helicopter built by Igor Sikorsky<br>Popular songs: <i>Don't Fence Me In</i> , <i>Sentimental Journey</i> ,<br><i>Accentuate the Positive</i>        |
| 1848 | California Gold Rush  |         |   |
| 1861 | American Civil War began  |         |   |
| 1873 | Abolition of slave markets and exports in Zanzibar  | 1945    | World War II ended<br>Frank Lloyd Wright designed the Guggenheim Museum in<br>New York<br>Chicago Cubs played in the World Series   |
| 1874 | Smetana wrote <i>The Moldau</i><br>The role of fluorides in preventing tooth decay discovered<br>Winston Churchill, British statesman, born<br>First American zoo established in Philadelphia<br>Robert Frost, American poet, born<br>Impressionism | 1945    | United Nations founded  |
| 1875 | Mark Twain wrote <i>The Adventures of Tom Sawyer</i>  | 1945    | Movies add Technicolor  |
| 1876 | Colorado became a state of the U.S.<br>Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone   | 1950-53 | Korean War  |
| 1880 | Tchaikovsky wrote <i>1812 Overture</i><br>First practical electric lights devised by T.A. Edison<br>and J.W. Swan<br>54,000 telephones, rented to customers by A.G. Bell,<br>were in use in the U.S.  | 1955    | Stravinsky wrote <i>Greeting Prelude</i><br>Velcro is patented<br>Charlie Parker, legendary U.S. jazz musician, died<br>Albert Einstein died<br>Popular songs: <i>Rock Around the Clock</i> , <i>Love is a Many-<br/>Splendored Thing</i> , <i>Sixteen Tons</i>       |
| 1883 | Mark Twain wrote <i>Huckleberry Finn</i>  | 1955    | Martin Luther King, Jr. led black boycott in Montgomery,<br>Alabama buses   |
| 1889 | Eiffel Tower completed  | 1957    | Sputnik, first satellite, launched  |
| 1891 | Theodore Thomas founds Chicago Orchestra  | 1991    | Sierra wrote <i>A Joyous Overture</i><br>The formal dissolution of the Soviet Union took place<br>First working prototype of high-definition television<br>(HDTV) invented<br>Persian Gulf War<br><i>Dances with Wolves</i> won the Academy Award for<br>Best Picture |
| 1893 | First automobile  |         |   |
| 1903 | Wright brothers first successful flight   |         |   |
| 1914 | World War I began   |         |   |
| 1920 | First commercial radio broadcast  | 1998    | Thomas wrote <i>Seahorse Serenade</i>   |
| 1928 | First commercial television broadcast<br>Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. born   |         |   |
| 1940 | World War II began  |         |   |
| 1942 | Tape recording invented   |         |   |
| 1943 | Penicillin discovered   |         |   |