

## **It Happened in January**

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All the following questions are based on events or anniversaries that took place in the month of January

**Which famous diarist started with a first entry on 1st Jan 1660?**

Samual Pepys

**In January 1877 Queen Victoria was proclaimed as Empress of where?**

India

**In 1959 Castro came to power in Cuba in a revolution that overthrew which dictator?**

Batista

**The currency of the Euro came into being in which year? a) 1991 b) 1995 c) 1999**

c) 1999

**Born in January 1735, who is best known for his ride warning the Americans of the British plans to raid Lexington and Concorde?**

Paul Revere

**In 1502, explorers landed at a place they called River of January in South America. Which nationality were they?**

Portuguese

**1892 saw the start of a process whereby 20 million people entered the USA via which island before it closed in 1954?**

Ellis Island

**Previously known as The Daily Universal Register, which newspaper began publishing in 1788?**

The Times of London

**Which commonwealth nation was founded in 1901 with Edmund Barton as the first Prime Minister?**

Commonwealth of Australia

**After the end of French rule in 1804, which country became the first black republic and second independant country in North America?**

Haiti