

## It Happened in February

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The following questions are about events that have their anniversary in February

**Which spaceship disintegrated on re-entry killing all 7 crew members in 2003?**

Space Shuttle Columbia

**In 1709, which sailor, who provided the inspiration for Robinson Crusoe, was rescued after spending 4 years as a castaway on an uninhabited island?**

Alexander Selkirk

**In 1807 the United Kingdom captured Montevideo from the Spanish during which wars?**

Napoleonic Wars

**Which American heiress was kidnapped by the Simbionese Liberation Army in 1974?**

Patty Hearst

**President of Haiti, Jean-Claude Duvalier, fled the country after a popular uprising in 1986, ending 28 years of one-family rule in the nation. What was his nick name?**

Baby Doc

**The Boeing 747 'Jumbo Jet' made its first test flight in February of which year? a) 1959 b) 1969 c) 1979**

b) 1969

**In 1858 a 14 year old peasant girl reported visions that led to her town becoming a major site for pilgrimages by Catholics. What was her name?**

Bernadette Soubirous

**Nelson Mandela was released in 1990 after how many years as a political prisoner? a) 27 b) 32 c) 37**

a) 27

**Chile declared its independence in 1818, from which country?**

Spain

**What was the name of the first Space Shuttle that 'boldly' made its first flight on top of a Jumbo Jet in 1977**

Enterprise