

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

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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