

Auspicious Day selection made easy

“日值四絕事不宜” Four Pivotal Days Aren't so Auspicious

The day before the official day of a seasonal change is not so auspicious after all due to the energies exchanging taking place. These energies are none other than the Yin and Yang and 5-elements (Wood, Fire, Earth, Metal and Water). The interaction of such elements causes uncertainties of natural flow and on normal cause it is bad. In simpler term it is a cosmic reaction that resulted in disruption of natural flow of energy. As such your behavioral patterns are affected by it. Avoid making critical decisions on these dates.

1. End of winter normally falls on 3rd or 4th of February.
2. End of spring normally falls on 5th or 6th of May.
3. End of summer normally falls on 7th or 8th of August
4. End of autumn/fall normally falls on 7th or 8th of November

Also note that a day before the mid-point of the season is not particular good for the same reason as well but not as bad as the section pivotal point.

1. Mid point of winter normally falls on 21st or 22nd of December
2. Mid point of spring normally falls on 20th or 21st of March
3. Mid point of summer normally falls on 20th or 21st of June
4. Mid point of autumn/fall normally falls on 22nd or 23rd of September

See for yourself the actual days that you should avoid making important decisions in life.

Seasons/Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Mid-winter	Dec 22 nd	Dec 22 nd	Dec 22 nd	Dec 22 nd	Dec 21 st	Dec 22 nd	Dec 22 nd
Winter-end	Feb 3 rd	Feb 3 rd	Feb 3 rd	Feb 4 th	Feb 3 rd	Feb 3 rd	Feb 3 rd
Mid-spring	Mar 20 th	Mar 20 th	Mar 21 st	Mar 21 st	Mar 20 th	Mar 20 th	Mar 21 st
Spring-end	May 4 th	May 4 th	May 4 th	May 5 th	May 4 th	May 4 th	May 4 th
Mid-summer	June 21 st	June 21 st	June 21 st	June 22 nd	June 21 st	June 21 st	June 21 st
Summer-end	Aug 6 th	Aug 6 th	Aug 6 th	Aug 5 th	Aug 6 th	Aug 6 th	Aug 6 th
Mid-Fall	Sept 22 nd	Sept 23 rd	Sept 23 rd	Sept 23 rd	Sept 22 nd	Sept 23 rd	Sept 23 rd
Fall-end	Nov. 6 th	Nov 6 th	Nov 6 th	Nov 7 th	Nov 6 th	Nov 6 th	Nov 6 th

History will tell us what happened on such dates

February 3rd in History
1377- more than 2,000 people of the Italian city of Cesena are slaughtered by Papal Troops (Cesena Bloodbath).
1509- The Battle of Diu, between Portugal and the Ottoman Empire takes place in Diu, India.
1706- During the Battle of Fraustadt Swedish forces defeat a superior Saxon-Polish-Russian force by deploying a double envelopment.
1783- American Revolutionary War: Spain recognizes United States independence.
1787- Shays' Rebellion is crushed.
1807- A British military force, under Brig-Gen. Sir Samuel Auchmuty captures the city of Montevideo, then part of the Spanish Empire now capital of Uruguay.
1900 - Gubernatorial candidate William Goebel is assassinated in Frankfort, Kentucky.
1916 - Parliament buildings in Ottawa, Canada burn down.
1917 - World War I: The United States breaks off diplomatic relations with Germany a day after the former announced a new policy of unrestricted submarine warfare.
1919- Kiev was captured by the Bolsheviks
1924- 25 th US president passed away.
1930- The Communist Party of Vietnam is established.
1931- The Hawke's Bay earthquake, New Zealand's worst natural disaster, kills 258.
1941- World War II: Nazi Germany forcibly restores Pierre Laval to office in occupied Vichy, France.
1944- World War II: United States troops capture the Marshall Islands.
1945- World War II: The Soviet Union agrees to enter the Pacific Theatre conflict against Japan.
1945- World War II: As part of Operation Thunderclap, 1,000 B-17's of the Eighth Air Force bomb Berlin.
1947- The lowest temperature in North America is recorded in Snag, Yukon, Alaska.
1959- Buddy Holly killed in air crash
1959- A plane crash near Clear Lake, Iowa kills Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens, and The Big Bopper, also known as The Day the Music Died.
1967- Ronald Ryan, the last person to be executed in Australia, is hanged in Pentridge Prison, Melbourne.
1988- Iran-Contra Affair: The United States House of Representatives rejects President

Ronald Reagan's request for \$36.25 million to aid Nicaraguan Contras.
1989- After a stroke, P.W. Botha resigns party leadership and the presidency of South Africa.
1989- A military coup overthrows Alfredo Stroessner, dictator of Paraguay since 1954.
1989-Twenty villages evacuated in Russia, after high radiation fall-out from the Chernobyl nuclear disaster
1991- The Italian Communist Party dissolves and splits into the Democratic Party of the Left and the Communist Refoundation Party.
1996- Massive magnitude earthquake in Yunan China.
1998- Karla Faye Tucker is executed in Texas becoming the first woman executed in the United States since 1984.
1998- Cavalese cable-car disaster: a United States Military pilot causes the death of 20 people when his low-flying plane cuts the cable of a cable-car near Trento, Italy.
1998- A U.S. Marine jet sliced through a ski gondola cable in Italy, sending the car's 20 occupants plunging 370 feet to their deaths.
2001- Iraq disarmament crisis.
2002- American football: Super Bowl XXXVI: New England Patriots 20, Saint Louis Rams 17 -- one of the most astonishing upsets in Super Bowl history.
2003-Record producer Phil Spector was arrested in the shooting death of actress Lana Clarkson at his mansion in Alhambra, Calif. (A murder trial ended in a jury deadlock; a second trial is expected to begin in the fall.)
2005- Zurab Zhvania, Prime Minister of Georgia passed away.
2006- Al Lewis, American actor passed away.
2006- An Egyptian passenger ferry sank in the Red Sea during bad weather, killing more than 1,000 passengers.
2007-A suicide truck bomber struck a Baghdad market in a predominantly Shiite area, killing more than 130 people.
2007-Pedro Knight, Cuban-American musician, husband of legendary singer Celia Cruz passed away.
2007- A Baghdad market bombing kills at least 135 people and injures a further 339.
2007- H5N1 Confirmed in England - Feb 3 rd
2008- China's deadly ice storm.

March 20th in History

1413-England's King Henry IV died.
1616- Sir Walter Raleigh is freed from the Tower of London after 13 years of imprisonment.
1727- Sir Isaac Newton - physicist, mathematician and astronomer - died in London.
1739- Nadir Shah occupies Delhi in India and sacks the city, stealing the jewels of the Peacock Throne.
1760- The "Great Fire" of Boston, Massachusetts destroys 349 buildings.
1815- After escaping from Elba, Napoleon enters Paris with a regular army of 140,000 and a volunteer force of around 200,000, beginning his "Hundred Days" rule.
1848- Revolutions of 1848 in the German states: King Ludwig I of Bavaria abdicates.
1852- Harriet Beecher Stowe's Uncle Tom's Cabin is published.
1856- Costa Rican troops rout Walker's soldiers.
1861- An earthquake completely destroys Mendoza, Argentina.
1883- The Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property is signed.
1913- Sung Chiao-jen, a founder of the Chinese Nationalist Party, is wounded in an assassination attempt and dies 2 days later.
1914- In New Haven, Connecticut, the first international figure skating championship takes place.
1916- Albert Einstein publishes his general theory of relativity.
1922- The USS Langley is commissioned as the first United States Navy aircraft carrier.
1933- Giuseppe Zangara is executed in Florida's electric chair for fatally shooting Anton Cermak in an assassination attempt against President Franklin D. Roosevelt.
1942- World War II: In Zgierz, Poland, 100 Poles are taken from a labor camp and shot by the Germans.
1942- Holocaust: in Rohatyn, western Ukraine, the German SS murder 3,000 Jews, including 600 children, annihilating 70% of Rohatyn's Jewish ghetto.
1942- World War II: General Douglas MacArthur, at Terowie, South Australia, makes his famous speech regarding the fall of the Philippines, in which he says: "I came out of Bataan and I shall return".
1948- With a Musicians Union ban lifted, the first telecasts of classical music in the United States, under Eugene Ormandy and Arturo Toscanini, are given on CBS and NBC.
1951- Fujiyoshida, a city located in Yamanashi Prefecture, Japan, in the center of the Japanese main island of Honshū is founded.
1952- The United States Senate ratifies a peace treaty with Japan.
1956- Tunisia gains independence from France.
1964- The precursor of the European Space Agency, ESRO (European Space Research

Organization) is established per an agreement signed on June 14, 1962.
1974- Ian Ball attempts, but fails, to kidnap Her Royal Highness Princess Anne and her husband Captain Mark Phillips in The Mall, outside Buckingham Palace, London.
1976- Newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst was convicted of armed robbery for her part in a San Francisco bank holdup.
1980- The Radio Caroline ship, Mi Amigo founders in a gale off the English coast.
1985- Libby Riddles becomes the first woman to win the 1,135-mile Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race.
1987- The Food and Drug Administration approves the anti-AIDS drug, AZT.
1988- Eritrean War of Independence: Having defeated the Nadew Command, the Eritrean People's Liberation Front enters the town of Afabet, victoriously concluding the Battle of Afabet.
1990- Ferdinand Marcos's widow, Imelda Marcos, goes on trial for bribery, embezzlement, and racketeering.
1993- An Irish Republican Army bomb exploded in Warrington, England, killing 3-year-old Johnathan Ball and 12-year-old Tim Parry.
1995- A sarin gas attack on the Tokyo subway kills 12 and wounds 1,300 persons.
1996- A jury in Los Angeles convicted Erik and Lyle Menendez of first-degree murder in the shotgun slayings of their millionaire parents.
1997- Liggett Group, the maker of Chesterfield cigarettes, settled 22 state lawsuits by admitting the industry markets cigarettes to teenagers and agreeing to warn on every pack that smoking is addictive.
1999- Legoland California, the first and only Legoland outside of Europe, opens in Carlsbad, California.
2000- Jamil Abdullah Al-Amin, a former Black Panther once known as H. Rap Brown, is captured after a gun battle that leaves a Georgia sheriff's deputy dead.
2002- Arthur Andersen pleaded innocent to charges it had shredded documents and deleted computer files related to Enron.
2003- U.S. and British forces invaded Iraq from Kuwait.
2003- US launches missiles against Saddam. In the early hours of the morning, the United States and three other countries begin military operations in Iraq.
2004- Stephen Harper wins the leadership of the newly created Conservative Party of Canada, becoming the party's first leader.
2004- The U.S. military charged six soldiers with abusing inmates at Abu Ghraib prison in Iraq.
2005 - A magnitude 6.6 earthquake hits Fukuoka, Japan, its first major quake in over 100 years. One person is killed, hundreds are injured and evacuated.
2006- Cyclone Larry makes landfall in eastern Australia, destroying most of the country's

banana crop.
2006- Over 150 Chadian soldiers are killed in eastern Chad by members of the rebel UFDC. The rebel movement sought to overthrow Chadian president Idriss Deby.
May 4th in History
1415- Religious reformers John Wycliffe and Jan Hus are condemned as heretics at the Council of Constance.
1471- Wars of the Roses: The Battle of Tewkesbury: Edward IV defeats a Lancastrian Army and kills Edward, Prince of Wales.
1493- Pope Alexander VI divides the New World between Spain and Portugal along the Line of Demarcation.
1799- Fourth Anglo-Mysore War: The Battle of Seringapatam: The siege of Seringapatam ends when the city is assaulted and the Tipu Sultan killed by the besieging British army, under the command of General George Harris.
1814- Emperor Napoleon I of France arrives at Portoferraio on the island of Elba to begin his exile.
1814- King Ferdinand VII of Spain signs the Decree of the 4th of May, returning Spain to absolutism.
1855- American adventurer William Walker departs from San Francisco with about 60 men to conquer Nicaragua.
1859- The Cornwall Railway opens across the Royal Albert Bridge linking the counties of Devon and Cornwall in England.
1863- American Civil War: The Battle of Chancellorsville ends with a Union retreat.
1869- The Naval Battle of Hakodate takes place in Japan.
1886- Haymarket Square Riot: A bomb is thrown at policemen trying to break up a labor rally in Chicago, Illinois, United States, killing eight and wounding 60. The police fire into the crowd.
1904- Charles Stewart Rolls meets Frederick Henry Royce at the Midland Hotel in Manchester, England.
1912- Italy occupies the Greek island of Rhodes.
1919- May Fourth Movement: Student demonstrations take place in Tiananmen Square in Beijing, China, protesting the Treaty of Versailles, which transferred Chinese territory to Japan.
1930- British police arrest Mahatma Gandhi and place him in Yeravda Central Prison.
1932- In Atlanta, Georgia, mobster Al Capone begins serving an eleven-year prison sentence for tax evasion.

1942- Deportation of more than a thousand Jews from Lodz to the Chelmno death camp
1942- World War II: The Battle of the Coral Sea begins with an attack by aircraft from the United States aircraft carrier Yorktown on Japanese naval forces at Tulagi Island in the Solomon Islands. The Japanese forces had invaded Tulagi the day before.
1945- World War II: The liberation of the Neuengamme concentration camp near Hamburg by the British Army.
1945- World War II: The surrender of the North Germany Army to Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery.
1946- In San Francisco Bay, U.S. Marines from the Treasure Island Marine Barracks stop a two-day riot at Alcatraz federal prison. Five people are killed in the riot.
1949- The entire Torino football (soccer) team (except for one player who did not take the trip due to an injury) is killed in a plane crash at the Superga hill at the edge of Turin, Italy.
1953- Ernest Hemingway is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for The Old Man and the Sea.
1961- American civil rights movement: The "Freedom Riders" begin a bus trip through the South.
1970- U.S. soldiers invading Cambodia at President Nixon's orders
1970- Four antiwar protesters on the campus of Kent State University in Ohio were shot and killed by National Guard soldiers;
1970- Vietnam War: Kent State shootings: the Ohio National Guard, sent to Kent State University after the ROTC building is burnt down, open fire killing four students and wounding nine others. The students were protesting the United States' invasion of Cambodia.
1973- John Dean freaked out Richard Nixon by revealing he had kept some documents when he left the White House and put them in a safe deposit box, the key to which he turned over to Judge Sirica.
1974- An all-female Japanese team reaches the summit of Manaslu, becoming the first women to climb an 8,000-meter peak.
1979- Margaret Thatcher becomes the first female Prime Minister of the United Kingdom.
1980- President Josip Broz Tito of Yugoslavia dies in Ljubljana at the age of 87.
1982- Twenty sailors are killed when the British Type 42 destroyer HMS Sheffield (D80) is hit by an Argentinian Exocet missile during the Falklands War.
1988- The PEPCON disaster rocks Henderson, Nevada, as tons of space shuttle fuel detonates during a fire.
1989- Iran-Contra Affair: Former White House aide Oliver North is convicted of three crimes and acquitted of nine other charges. The convictions, however, are later overturned on appeal.
1990- Latvia proclaims the renewal of its independence after the Soviet occupation.
1994- Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and PLO leader Yasser Arafat sign a peace

accord regarding Palestinian autonomy granting self-rule in the Gaza Strip and Jericho.
1998- A federal judge in Sacramento, California, gives "Unabomber" Theodore Kaczynski four life sentences plus 30 years after Kaczynski accepts a plea agreement sparing him from the death penalty.
1988- A fire in a rocket fuel factory in Henderson, Nevada, caused detonation of thousands of pounds of chemicals, demolishing the factory and damaging nearby structures.
2001- Pope John Paul II follows Saint Paul's footsteps across the Mediterranean, from Greece to Syria to Malta.
2001- The Milwaukee Art Museum addition, the first Santiago Calatrava-designed structure in the United States, opens to the public.
2002- An EAS Airlines BAC 1-11-500 crashes in a suburb of Kano, Nigeria shortly after takeoff killing more than 148 people.
2006- A federal judge sentenced Zacarias Moussaoui to life in prison for his role in the Sept. 11, 2001, ter-rorist attacks.
2007- A judge in Los Angeles sentenced hotel heiress Paris Hilton to 45 days in jail for violating probation in an alcohol-related reckless driving case by driving with a suspended license. (Hilton served three weeks.)
2007- Greensburg, Kansas is almost completely destroyed by a 1.7m wide EF-5 tornado.
2008- Up to 1 million people may be homeless after Cyclone Nargis hit the Southeast Asian nation early Saturday.

June 20th in History

1631- The sack of Baltimore: the Irish village of Baltimore is attacked by Algerian pirates.
1685- Monmouth Rebellion: James Scott, 1st Duke of Monmouth declares himself King of England at Bridgwater.
1756- British garrison imprisoned in the Black Hole of Calcutta.
1837- Queen Victoria succeeds to the British throne.
1862- Barbu Catargiu, the Prime Minister of Romania, is assassinated.
1874- Effie McNeely, a teacher at the school in Brown's (a hamlet seven miles south of Reno), was forced to leave her job by an inflammation that threatened her eyesight.
1883- J.A. Davis of Reno was arrested in an opium den in Reno's Chinatown.
1893- Lizzie Borden is acquitted of murdering her stepmother and father.
1919- 150 die at the Teatro Yaguez fire, Mayagüez, Puerto Rico.
1956- A Venezuelan Super-Constellation crashed in Atlantic Ocean off Asbury Park, New Jersey killing 74 people.
1963- The so-called "red telephone" is established between Soviet Union and United

States following the Cuban Missile Crisis.
1964- Three civil rights workers disappeared in Philadelphia, Miss. Their bodies were found buried in an earthen dam six weeks later. Eight members of the Ku Klux Klan went to prison on federal conspiracy charges.
1967- Boxer Muhammad Ali was convicted in Houston of violating Selective Service laws by refusing to be drafted.
1973- Ezeiza massacre in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Snipers fired upon left-wing peronists. At least 13 are killed and more than 300 injured.
1979- ABC News correspondent Bill Stewart was shot to death in Managua, Nicaragua, by a member of President Anastasio Somoza's national guard.
1986- Movement of sheep banned after they ate grass contaminated by fallout from Chernobyl
1990- Asteroid Eureka discovered.
1991- German parliament decides to move the capital from Bonn back to Berlin.
1994- O.J. Simpson pleaded innocent in Los Angeles to the killings of his ex-wife, Nicole, and her friend Ronald Goldman.
1997- The tobacco industry agreed to a massive settlement in exchange for relief from mounting lawsuits and legal bills.
1999- As the last of 40,000 Yugoslav troops left Kosovo, NATO declared a formal end to its bombing campaign against Yugoslavia.
2001- Andrea Yates drowned her five children in the bathtub in her family's home in Houston. (She was later found not guilty by reason of insanity and committed to a state hospital.)
2002- The U.S. Supreme Court declared that executing mentally retarded murderers was unconstitutionally cruel.
2003-The Christian Science Monitor apologises to George Galloway for falsely alleging that he received ten million dollars from Saddam Hussein. Galloway refuses to accept the apology
2004-Researchers find SARS in human tears, shedding light on one of the ways the virus propagates, as well as an early-warning test.
2005-In USA, chief US immigration judge Michael Creppy rules that Ukrainian-born John Demjanjuk can be deported because he was a concentration camp guard during World War II.
2005-Turkey sentences Islamist extremist Metin Kaplan, the "Caliph of Cologne", to life in prison for his role in a plot to blow up the mausoleum of Kemal Ataturk.
2005-A Suicide bomber in Iraq kills 13 policemen, and injured more than 100 people, in the

city of Irbil, northern Iraq.
2005-Israeli-Palestinian conflict, one Israeli is killed in West Bank ambush after Palestinian militants shot his car. The Islamic Jihad claimed responsibility, calling it retaliation for arrests of Islamic Jihad members.
2005-John Rigas, founder of cable company Adelphia Communications is sentenced to 15 years in prison on last summer's securities fraud conviction.
2006-Jack Abramoff scandals: David Safavian, former George W. Bush White House official, is convicted of four felony counts of lying and obstruction of justice related to his dealings with lobbyist Jack Abramoff.
2007-A fire in a Russian nursing home in Omsk kills at least 10 people. (BBC)
The Special Court for Sierra Leone issues the first ever guilty verdicts by an international court related to the military use of children.
August 7th in History
1461- the Ming Dynasty Chinese military general Cao Qin stages a coup against the Tianshun Emperor; after setting fire to the eastern and western gates of the Forbidden City (which were doused by pouring rains during the day-long uprising), Cao Qin found himself hemmed in on all sides by imperial forces, lost three of his own brothers in the fight, and instead of facing execution he fled to his house and committed suicide by jumping down a well located within the walled compound of his urban Beijing home.
1789- The United States War Department is established.
1794- Whiskey Rebellion begins: Farmers in the Monongahela Valley of Pennsylvania rebel against the federal tax on liquor and distilled drinks.
1819- Simón Bolívar triumphs over Spain in the Battle of Boyacá.
1879- The opening of the Poor Man's Palace in Manchester.
1927- The Peace Bridge opens, between Fort Erie, Ontario and Buffalo, New York.
1933- The Iraqi Government slaughtered over 3,000 Assyrians in the village of Sumail. The day becomes Assyrian Martyrs Day.
1940- Alsace Lorraine is annexed by the Third Reich (Germany) during World War II
1942- American marines begin assault on Guadalcanal
1944- IBM dedicates the first program-controlled calculator, the Automatic Sequence Controlled Calculator (known best as the Harvard Mark I).
1945- President Harry Truman announces the bombing of Hiroshima with an atomic bomb while returning from the Potsdam Conference aboard the heavy cruiser USS Augusta (CA-31) in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean.

1947- Thor Heyerdahl's balsa wood raft the Kon-Tiki, smashes into the reef at Raroia in the Tuamotu Islands after a 101-day, 7000-km (4375-mile) journey across the Pacific Ocean proving that pre-historic peoples could have traveled from South America.
1947- The Bombay Municipal Corporation formally takes over the Bombay Electric Supply and Transport (BEST).
1955- Tokyo Telecommunications Engineering, the precursor to Sony, begins selling its first Transistor radios in Japan.
1959- The Lincoln Memorial design on the U.S. penny goes into circulation. It replaces the "sheaves of wheat" design and is still in use.
1959- Explorer program: Explorer 6 launched from the Atlantic Missile Range in Cape Canaveral, Florida.
1960- Côte d'Ivoire becomes independent.
1964- Vietnam War: The U.S. Congress passes the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution giving US President Lyndon B. Johnson broad war powers to deal with North Vietnamese attacks on American forces.
1966- Race riots occur in Lansing, Michigan.
1967- Vietnam War: The People's Republic of China agrees to give North Vietnam an undisclosed amount of aid in the form of a grant.
1970- California judge Harold Haley is taken hostage in his courtroom and killed during in an effort to free George Jackson from police custody.
1973- NBC airs the final day of the Watergate hearings on U.S. daytime television.
1976- Viking program: Viking 2 enters into orbit around Mars.
1978- United States President Jimmy Carter declares a federal emergency at Love Canal.
1981- The Washington Star ceases all operations after 128 years of publication.
1985- Takao Doi, Mamoru Mohri and Chiaki Mukai are chosen to be Japan's first astronauts.
1988- Rioting in New York City's Tompkins Square Park.
1989- U.S. Congressman Mickey Leland (D-TX) and 15 others die in a plane crash in Ethiopia.
1998- Bombing of the United States embassies in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and Nairobi, Kenya, kill 224 people and injure over 4,500
2002-Israeli-Palestinian conflict: Israeli forces kill 6 Palestinians: Israeli undercover soldiers kill four Palestinian militants wound three in a gun-fight in Tulkarm. An Israeli sniper kills Hussam Hamdan, a member of Hamas in the Gaza Strip. Israeli troops and 30 tanks push into northern Gaza, killing a Palestinian policeman. These come in response to the attacks of August 4 listed below.
2002-Three members of Manchester rock band Oasis have been injured in a head-on car crash in Indianapolis while on tour in the U.S.A. None were seriously injured.

2002-Stock market downturn of 2002: The stock market remains volatile.
2002-Explosions went off near the parliament building as Colombia's President Álvaro Uribe was being sworn in, killing at least 10 people.
2003-Convicted terrorist, Real IRA leader Michael McKevitt, found guilty yesterday by the Republic of Ireland's Special Criminal Court of "membership of an illegal organisation" and "directing terrorism", is sentenced to twenty years in prison.
2003-An Indonesian court sentences Amrozi bin Nurhasyim to death for his role in the 2002 Bali terrorist bombing. The court found Amrozi guilty of planning and carrying out the attack. The verdict comes two days after another attack outside Marriott Hotel in Jakarta. Jemaah Islamiyah is linked with both of the attacks.
2003- Occupation of Iraq: A car bomb explodes near the Jordanian Embassy in Baghdad, Iraq. At least 10 people are killed and more than 30 are injured. The bomb, hidden in a minibus, is believed to be detonated remotely.
2003-Liberian crisis: President Charles Taylor resigns as Nigerian peacekeepers entered Liberia. Taylor names his vice president, Moses Blah, as his successor. Peacekeepers intercepted an arms shipment to Liberia from Libya. Taylor, who is indicted for war crimes, indicates that he will seek political asylum in Nigeria.
2004- The Iraqi Interim Government bans Al Jazeera from operating in Iraq for 30 days; police order staff from their Baghdad newsroom.
2005-Peter Jennings, long-time anchor of ABC World News Tonight, has died from lung cancer at the age of 67.
2005-Conflict in Iraq: 39 people have died, including at least two U.S. soldiers, following a series of insurgent attacks throughout Iraq.
2005-Binyamin Netanyahu, the former Prime Minister of Israel, resigns his cabinet post as Finance Minister in protest against the planned Israeli withdrawal from the Gaza Strip. Deputy Prime Minister Ehud Olmert has been appointed to succeed him.
2005-In China, flood in coal mine traps at least 102
2006- A US military hearing has examined the testimony by one of the accused in an incident where a 14-year-old girl and three family members in Mahmudiya were allegedly killed by four US soldiers after the girl's rape in March.
2006-Israel-Lebanon conflict: Reuters has withdrawn 920 photographs by a Lebanese photographer after a review of his work showed that he had changed two images from the 2006 Israel-Lebanon conflict.
2006-Oil price futures hit a record high for one blend of crude oil (Brent crude) after BP found corrosion damage to the Alaskan pipeline and cut production in Prudhoe Bay 50%. (Associated Press)
2006-Tens of thousands are evacuated from around the Mayon Volcano in the Bicol Region of the Philippines as local volcanologists anticipate an imminent eruption.

2007-Two men are arrested in Paris for stealing Pablo Picasso paintings from the apartment of his granddaughter.
2007-Seismic activity frustrates rescue efforts for six coal miners trapped underground near Huntington, Utah. (AP via Houston Chronicle)
2007-Two buses crash on the Panamerican Highway in southern Peru resulting in 17 casualties and 37 injuries.
2007-The Taliban attacks Firebase Anaconda in Uruzgan province but is repulsed by a joint force of Afghan fighters and United States Army forces with 20 militants killed.
Jordan opens its government schools to Iraqi refugees.
2007-Juan Carlos Ramirez-Abadia, Colombian cocaine trafficker boss of the Norte del Valle Cartel is apprehended in Brazil and faces extradition to the United States. The US Government had offered a reward of US\$5 million dollars.
2007-Malaysia bans hiring of foreign security guards following rape and murder of a student by a Pakistani security guard recently.
2007-A storm kills at least 17 people in Vietnam with another 12 missing.
2007-An earthquake of 6.4 preliminary magnitude occurs off the coast of Okinawa in Japan.

September 22nd in History

1236- The Lithuanians and Semigallians defeat the Livonian Brothers of the Sword in Battle of Šiauliai.
1586- The battle of Zutphen occurs.
1598- Ben Jonson is indicted for manslaughter.
1692- Last people hanged for witchcraft in the United States.
1776- Nathan Hale is hanged for spying during American Revolution.
1823- Joseph Smith, Jr. stated that he was directed by God through the Angel Moroni to the place where the Golden plates were stored.
1866- Decisive battle of Curupaity in the War of the Triple Alliance.
1919- The steel strike of 1919, led by the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers, begins in Pennsylvania before spreading across the United States.
1927- Jack Dempsey loses the Long Count boxing match to Gene Tunney.
1934- An explosion takes place at Gresford Colliery in Wales, leading to the deaths of 266 miners and rescuers.
1937- Spanish Civil War: Peña Blanca is taken; the end of the Battle of El Mazuco.
1941- On Jewish New Year Day, German SS murder 6,000 Jews in Vinnytsya, Ukraine. Those were the survivors of the previous killings that took place a few days earlier in which

about 24,000 Jews were executed.
1944- World War II, Red Army enters Tallinn.
1951- The first live sporting event seen coast-to-coast in the United States, a college football game between Duke and the University of Pittsburgh, is televised on NBC.
1955- In Britain, the television channel ITV goes live for the first time.
1960- The Sudanese Republic is renamed Mali after the withdrawal of Senegal from the Mali Federation.
1965- The Indo-Pakistani War of 1965/Second Kashmir War between India and Pakistan over Kashmir ends after the UN calls for a cease-fire.
1970- Tunku Abdul Rahman resigns as Prime Minister of Malaysia.
1975- Sara Jane Moore tries to assassinate U.S. President Gerald Ford, but is foiled by Oliver Sipple.
1979- The South Atlantic Flash or Vela Incident is observed near Bouvet Island, thought to be a nuclear weapons test.
1980- Iraq invades Iran.
1980- The war between Iran and Iraq begins
1985- The Plaza Accord was signed in New York City.
1991- The Dead Sea Scrolls are made available to the public for the first time, by the Huntington Library.
1993 - A Transair Georgian Airlines Tu-154 is shot down by a missile in Sukhumi, Georgia.
1995- E-3B AWACS crashed outside of Elmendorf AFB, Alaska after multiple bird strikes to two of the four engines soon after takeoff; all 24 on board killed
1997- Bentalha massacre in Algeria; over 200 villagers killed.
2003- David Hempleman-Adams becomes the first person to cross the Atlantic Ocean in an open-air, wicker-basket hot air balloon.
2006- The F-14 Tomcat retires from the United States Navy.
2006- A German maglev train crashes, killing 23.
2006- Hezbollah claims "Divine Victory" over Israel in a massive demonstration in Beirut
2006-The U.S. military officially retires the F-14 Tomcat, famous from the movie Top Gun. (AP)
2006-Patricia Dunn announces her resignation as Hewlett-Packard's chairman and board member, following a pretexting scandal. Mark Hurd has replaced Dunn as chairman of the company, effective immediately.
2006-Thousands riot in Central Sulawesi, Indonesia, following the execution of three Christian militants found guilty of taking part in an attack on a Muslim boarding school.
2006-The reported number of people fallen ill after eating tainted spinach reaches 166 in 25 U.S. states
2007-Turkish Foreign Minister Ali Babacan condemns US support of the PKK terrorist

group, which is behind attacks on Turkish forces.
2007-Several hundred Buddhist monks marched through Burma's second largest city Mandalay as activists urged people to join the protests against the ruling military junta.

November 6th in History

1632- Death of King Gustavus Adolphus the Great of Sweden in the Battle of Lützen during the Thirty Years War.
1865- American Civil War: CSS Shenandoah is the last Confederate combat unit to surrender after circumnavigating the globe on its cruise that sank or captured 37 vessels.
1913 - Mohandas Gandhi is arrested while leading a march of Indian miners in South Africa.
1917- World War I: Third Battle of Ypres ends: After three months of fierce fighting, Canadian forces take Passchendaele in Belgium.
1918- The Second Polish Republic is proclaimed in Poland.
1925- Secret agent Sidney Reilly is executed by the OGPU, the secret police of the Soviet Union.
1928- Swedes start a tradition of eating Gustavus Adolphus pastries to commemorate the king.
1935- Before the New York section of the Institute of Radio Engineers, Edwin Armstrong presents his paper "A Method of Reducing Disturbances in Radio Signaling by a System of Frequency Modulation."
1939- World War II: Sonderaktion Krakau
1941- World War II: Soviet leader Joseph Stalin addresses the Soviet Union for only the second time during his three-decade rule. He states that even though 350,000 troops were killed in German attacks so far, the Germans had lost 4.5 million soldiers and that Soviet victory was near.
1943 - World War II: Russia recaptures Kiev. Before withdrawing, the Germans destroy most of the city's ancient buildings.
1944 - Plutonium is first produced at the Hanford Atomic Facility, subsequently used in the Fat Man Atomic bomb dropped on Nagasaki, Japan.
1947- Meet The Press makes its television debut (the show went to a weekly schedule on September 12, 1948).
1962- Apartheid: The United Nations General Assembly passes a resolution condemning South Africa's racist apartheid policies and calls for all UN member states to cease military and economic relations with the nation.
1963- Vietnam War: Following the November 1 coup and execution of President Ngo Dinh

Diem, coup leader General Duong Van Minh takes over leadership of South Vietnam.
1965- Cuba and the United States formally agree to start an airlift for Cubans who want to go to the United States. By 1971, 250,000 Cubans will use this program.
1971- The AEC tests the largest U.S. underground hydrogen bomb, code-named Cannikin, on Amchitka Island in the Aleutians.
1975- Green March begins: 300,000 unarmed Moroccans converge on the southern city of Tarfaya and wait for a signal from King Hassan II of Morocco to cross into Western Sahara.
1977- The Kelly Barnes Dam, located above Toccoa Falls Bible College near Toccoa, Georgia, fails, killing 39.
1985- In Colombia, leftist guerrillas of the April 19 Movement seize control of the Palace of Justice in Bogotá, eventually killing 115 people, 11 of them Supreme Court justices.
1985- "Irangate" scandal: The American press reveals that US President Ronald Reagan had authorized the shipment of arms to Iran.
1986-Sumburgh disaster - a British International Helicopters Boeing 234LR Chinook crashed 2.5 miles east of Sumburgh Airport killing 45 people. The deadliest civilian helicopter crash on record.
1999- Australians vote to keep the British monarch as their head of state in the Australian republic referendum.
2002- 12 people are killed in a fire on board a train headed for Vienna from Paris.
2004- An express train collides with a stationary car near the village of Ufton Nervet, England, killing 6 and injuring 150.
2005- The Evansville Tornado of November 2005 kills 25 in Northwestern Kentucky and Southwestern Indiana.
2005- The military junta of Myanmar begins moving its government ministries from Yangon to Pyinmana.
2006-Bombs explode at Mexico's Federal Electoral Tribunal, an opposition party's headquarters and a bank in the capital.
2006-Operation Autumn Clouds: A female Palestinian suicide bomber has blown herself up in a Gaza Strip town, killing herself and injuring an Israeli soldier, the Israeli army says.
2007- Liverpool FC Create football history, beating Beşiktaş J.K. 8-0 in the UEFA Champions League, a record in European competition.
2007- At least 35 people are killed and dozens more wounded in a suicide bombing in northern Afghanistan, officials say.

Dec 22nd in History

1790- The Turkish fortress of Izmail is stormed and captured by Suvorov and his Russian armies.
1809- The Non-Intercourse Act, lifting the Embargo Act except for the United Kingdom and France, passes the U.S. Congress.
1849- The execution of Fyodor Dostoevsky is called off at the last second.
1851- The first freight train is operated in Roorkee, India.
1885- Ito Hirobumi, a samurai, became the first Prime Minister of Japan.
1894- The Dreyfus affair begins, in France, when Alfred Dreyfus is wrongly convicted of treason, on antisemitic grounds.
1940- World War II: Himarë is captured by the Greek army.
1942- World War II: Adolf Hitler signs the order to develop the V-2 rocket as a weapon.
1944- World War II: Battle of the Bulge--German troops demand the surrender of United States troops at Bastogne, Belgium, prompting the famous one word reply by General Anthony McAuliffe: "Nuts!"
1944- World War II: Vietnam People's Army is formed to resist Japanese occupation of Indo-China, now Vietnam.
1956- Colo is born, the first gorilla to be bred in captivity.
1963- Cruise ship Lakonia burns 180 miles north of Madeira with the loss of 128 lives.
1964- Comedian Lenny Bruce is convicted of obscenity.
1964- First flight of the SR-71 (Blackbird).
1965- In the United Kingdom, a 70mph speed limit is applied to all rural roads including motorways for the first time. Previously, there had been no speed limit.
1974- Grande Comore, Anjouan and Mohéli vote to become the independent nation of Comoros. Mayotte remains under French administration.
1974- Ted Heath's house is attacked by members of the Provisional IRA.
1978- The pivotal Third Plenum of the 11th National Congress of the Communist Party of China is held in Beijing, with Deng Xiaoping reversing Mao-era policies to pursue a program for Chinese economic reform.
1984- Subway vigilante Bernhard Hugo Goetz shoots four African-American men on an express train in The Bronx borough of New York City.
1988- Chico Mendes, a Brazilian rubber tapper, unionist and environmental activist, is assassinated.
1989- After a week of bloody demonstrations, Ion Iliescu takes over as president of Romania, ending Nicolae Ceaușescu's Communist dictatorship.
1989- Berlin's Brandenburg Gate re-opens after nearly 30 years, effectively ending the division of East and West Germany.
1989- Kempsey bus crash: Two tourist coaches collide on the Pacific Highway north of Kempsey, New South Wales

1990- Final independence of Marshall Islands and Federated States of Micronesia after termination of trusteeship.
1997- Acteal massacre: Attendees at a prayer meeting of Roman Catholic activists for indigenous causes in the small village of Acteal in the Mexican state of Chiapas are massacred by paramilitary forces.
1999- The Spanish Civil Guard finds near Calatayud (Zaragoza) another van loaded by ETA with 750 kg of explosives (see related event on December 21, 1999).
2001- Burhanuddin Rabbani, political leader of the Afghan Northern Alliance, hands over power in Afghanistan to the interim government headed by President Hamid Karzai.
2001- Richard Reid attempts to destroy a passenger airliner by igniting explosives hidden in his shoes aboard American Airlines Flight 63.
2003- A magnitude 6.6 earthquake hits near San Simeon, California; see San Simeon earthquake Dec. 22, 1944, during the World War II Battle of the Bulge, U.S. Brigadier General Anthony C. McAuliffe rejected the Germans' demand that the Americans surrender, writing "Nuts!" in his official reply.
2004-The Indian election commission investigates railways minister Laloo Prasad for allegations of electoral bribery. He has given money to dalit women in public.
2004- Gambian journalists march in protest of the murder of Deyda Hydera, newspaper editor who had criticised new strict press legislation. UNESCO also condemns the killing
2006- About 60,000 people in Johor, Malaysia have been displaced by the 2006 Malaysian floods.
2006- Ethiopian war in Somalia, thousands of Somali civilians flee their homes as hundreds of troops and trucks move towards the front lines, after a night of artillery and mortar fire.
2006- The Islamic Courts Union say they will send ground troops to attack on Saturday, instead of fighting from a distance with heavy weapons as they have been doing so far
2007-Turkish Air Force planes strike Kurdistan Workers Party targets in northern Iraq.