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The information below pulls from our 1977 timeline video, part of Weird History's Timeline Series. In 1977, the world witnessed several significant events that marked the beginning of major changes, both politically and culturally. The United States welcomed a newly elected president Jimmy Carter who vowed to heal a nation grappling with numerous challenges, and the entertainment world exploded with a myriad of movies, music, television shows, and video games that helped usher in this new era. Of course, it wasn't all positive, as there were still many tragedies that occurred throughout the year, but for once, there seemed to be a significant light at the end of the tunnel, and happiness for millions around the world. What happened in 1977 was almost an entire cultural shift, especially in the United States, starting the year off with President Jimmy Carter partoning thousands of draft evaders during the Vietnam War, the country was inching its way towards healing itself all for the better. Of course, the incredible amount of entertainment helped make that healing come by all the quickest, as fan-favorite television shows like Fantasy Island and Three's Company premiered, and arguably the biggest movies of all time at the time, Star Wars, was growing to be a cultural phenomenon. Throw on top of these groundbreaking records from Fleetwood Mac and The Sex Pistols, and suddenly 1977 pop culture was able to explode to another level. Tragically, this would also be a year that many of the most influential and important members of pop culture would pass on, with Elvis Presley, Joan Crawford, Charlie Chaplin, and Bing Crosby all passing away. In addition to these pop culture milestones, 1977 bore witness to advancements in technology, as evidenced by the increasing popularity of the Atari gaming system, which enabled people to explore new forms of entertainment and interaction from the comfort of their homes. While there were still many tragic and historical events that transpired during the year, including James Earl Ray and Ted Bundy's escape from prison and CIA mind control experiments coming to light, overall, what happened in 1977 was a much needed cultural reset, and one that showed the power of technology, creativity, and ingenuity that resonate in the present day.
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(gunshot)January 20, 1977 (Thursday): Inauguration of Jimmy CarterSlim-Fast began selling in 1977 and, after initial hesitation by the FDA, was approved and came on strong in 1979 as a weight-loss product.Argentina flew a pregnant woman to their military base in Antarctica so she could have first baby ever to be born on the continent. In doing so, the Argentine government believed this would give them an 'undisputable' claim on the land, but the claim is not recognized internationally.Maureen Weston, while in a rocking chair marathon, didn't sleep for 18 days and 17 hours. Don't try this at home or even with friends. The Chia Pet® is the registered trademark belonging to Joseph Enterprises, Inc., the manufacturer and originator of the Chia Pet. The name was first used on September 8, but the idea of growing plants around clay and other materials has been around forever.The e.p.t. pregnancy test was available over the counter. Previously, there was an ancient Egyptian test that was right about 2 out of 3 times, involving peeing on barley and wheat, that could even tell the sex of the children.Cost of a Super Bowl ad in 1977: \$125,000Everything Star Wars, Disco dancing, watching Roots on ABCAtari 2600 Console, Star Wars Toys, Chai Pets, Sime, SkateboardsRocky (presented in 1977)A Book of Common Prayer by Joan DidionA Scanner Darkly by Philip K. DickBeggarman, Thief by Irwin ShawDaniel Martin by John FowlesDelta of Venus by Anaïs NinDreams Die First by Harold RobbinsFalconer by John CheeverThe Honourable Schoolboy by John Le CarreHow to Save Your Own Life by Erica JongJunglions: The Adventures of a Reluctant Messiah by Richard BachOliver's Story by Erich SegalThe Shining by Stephen KingThe Sillarillion by J. R. R. Tolkien and Christopher TolkienSongs of Solomon by Toni MorrisonThe Thorn Birds by Colleen McCulloughTrinity by Leon UrisMummenschanz (Poetic Art) Opened on March 30, 1977 and closed on April 20, 1980Annie (Musical) Opened on April 21, 1977 and closed on January 2, 1983Gemini (Play) Opened on May 21, 1977 and closed on September 6, 1981Beetlemania (Musical) Opened on May 31, 1977 and closed on October 17, 1979Larry Linville quit CBS's popular TV Show M*A*S*H.1. Laverne & Shirley (ABC)2. Happy Days (ABC)3. Three's Company (ABC)4. 60 Minutes (CBS)5. Charlie's Angels (ABC)6. All in the Family (CBS)7. Little House on the Prairie (NBC)8. Alice (CBS)9. M*A*S*H (CBS)10. One Day at a Time (CBS) November 13 - January 7, 1977:Tonight's The Night (Gonna Be Alright) - Rod StewartJanuary 8 - January 14:You Don't Have To Be A Star (To Be In My Show) - Marilyn McCoo & Billy Davis, Jr.January 15 - January 21:You Make Me Feel Like Dancing - Leo Sayer(January 22 - January 28:I Wish - Stevie Wonder(January 29 - February 4:Car Wash - Rose Royce(January 5 - February 18:Tom Between Two Lovers - Mary MacGregor(January 19 - February 25:Blinded By The Light - Manfred Mann's Earth Band(January 26 - March 4:New Kid In Town - The Eagles(March 5 - March 25:Love Theme From A Star Is Born - ('Evergreen) Barbra Streisand(March 26 April 8:Rich Girl - Daryl Hall & John Oates(April 9 - April 15:Dancing Queen - ABBA(April 16 - April 22:Don't Give Up On Us - David Soul(April 23 - April 29:Don't Leave Me This Way - Thelma Houston(April 30 - May 6:Southern Nights - Glen Campbell(May 7 - May 13:Hotel California - The Eagles(May 14 - May 20:When I Need You - Leo Sayer(May 21 - June 11:Sir Duke - Stevie Wonder(June 11 - June 17:Im Your Boogie Man - KC and the Sunshine Band(June 18 - June 24:Dreams - Fleetwood Mac(June 25 - July 1:Got To Give It Up (Pt. I) - Marvin Gaye(July 2 - July 8:Gonna Fly Now - Bill Conti(July 9 - July 15:Undercover Angel - Alan O'Day(July 16 - July 22:Da Doo Ron Ron - Shaun Cassidy(July 23 - July 29:Looks Like We Made It - Barry Manilow(July 30 - August 19:I Just Want To Be Your Everything - Andy Gibb(August 20 - September 30:Best Of My Love - The Emotions(October 1 - October 14:Star Wars Theme/Cantina Band - Meco(October 15 - December 23:You Light Up My Life - Debby Boone(December 24, 1977 - January 13, 1978:How Deep Is Your Love - Bee Gees(World Series Champions: New York Yankees(Super Bowl XI Champions: Oakland Raiders(NBA Champions: Portland Trail Blazers(Stanley Cup Champs: Montreal Canadiens)S. Open Golf - Hubert Green(U.S. Tennis: (Men/Ladies) Guillermo Vilas/Christine Marie Evert(Wimbledon (Men/Women) - Bjorn Borg/Virginia Wade(NCAA Football Champions: Notre Dame(NCAA Basketball Champions: Marquette(Kentucky Derby: Seattle Slew (Triple Crown Winner: Kentucky Derby, Preakness Stakes and Belmont Stakes) 1977 has always fascinated me because it's my birth year. I did some digging on the internet to find out what happened in this year and I found some really interesting facts and events.Fact is, some good things and some bad things happened in this year. I trust that you'll find my list of events interesting.Here are 22 Notable Events in 1977. There was a new US president in the Oval OfficeJimmy Carter was inaugurated as the 39th President of the United States in this year. 2. Fleetwood Mac released Rumours in this year!The now legendary album has sold over 40 million copies to date.3. There was a plane crash in the Canary Islands in 1977!On the 27th of March of this year one of the World's Worst Air Disasters in history occurred. Two jumbo jets collided on the airport runway killing 583 people.4. Two Personal Computers were introduced in 1977!Yes folks, the Apple II and Commodore PET personal computers were first sold in this year.5. Atari launched the legendary 2600 gaming system!It was sold for \$199 when it was released. The Atari 2600 had 128 Bytes RAM. ~ / 30 million units were sold between 1977 and 1982.6. Elvis Presley performed his last concert in this year!The last Elvis Presley concert happened on the 26th of June 1977. He died in Memphis, Tennessee in the US on the 16th of August 1977. 75,000 fans lined the streets of Memphis for this funeral.7. David Berkowitz was arrested in this year!This serial killer was more commonly known as the "Son of Sam". He killed 6 people and wounded 7 over a period of one year in New York City.8. NASA launched 2 legendary spacecraft!The Voyager 1 unmanned spacecraft (which later did flybys of Jupiter and Saturn was launched. The Voyager 2 unmanned spacecraft was also launched. Voyager 2 did flybys of Jupiter (in 1979), Saturn (in 1981), Uranus (in 1986) and Neptune (in 1989).9. Steve Biko was killed in 1977!The South African anti-apartheid activist died in police custody after being arrested under the Terrorism Act at a roadblock.10. Pele retired from football!This Brazilian player was considered by some as the best soccer player of all time.11. France stopped using the guillotine as an execution method!The last execution by guillotine was carried out in this year. Convicted murderer Hamida Djandoubi became the last person to meet his end by the "National Razor".12. The Clash released their debut album!Their self-titled debut album peaked at number 12 on the UK charts. The album was produced by Mickey Foote.13. James Earl Ray escaped from prison!Ray was jailed for the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. He escaped from Brushy Mountain State Prison in Petros, Tennessee but was recaptured 3 days later in this year.14. New York City blacked out for 25 hours!The infamous blackout occurred on the 13th of July 1977 and caused looting and other disorders in the city.15. Led Zepplin played their last US concert!The concert was held in July 1977 in Oakland, California.16. The first Star Wars movie was released!Star Wars Episode IV: A New Hope was released on the 25th of May 1977 in the US. To date the film has raked in over \$775 million at the box office. The film was made on a budget of \$11 million.17. It was a violent year in South Africa!There were several bombings in South Africa on these dates24 February 1977 - Daveyton Police Station on the East Rand.7 March 1977 - Pretoria restaurant25 November 1977 - Carlton Centre (the then tallest building in Africa) in Johannesburg30 November 1977 - On a Pretoria bound train14 December 1977 - Benoni Railway Station on the East Rand.An unexploded bomb was also found at a supermarket store in Rooodepoort on the 22nd of December 1977.18. Two nations joined the United Nations!Djibouti (in Africa) and Vietnam (in Asia) got their seats in the general assembly. Djibouti gained independence from France in the same year.19. Some classic TV shows aired in this year!Three's Company, Eight is Enough, CHiPs, The Love Boat and Soap made their debut on US television in this year.20. The Sex Pistols tried to disrupt Silver Jubilee celebration!The band performed their version of "God Save the Queen" from a boat on the River Thames in London in June 1977.21. Roman Polanski was arrested!On the 11th of March 1977, the then 43-year-old director was arrested and accused of drugging and raping 13-year-old Samantha Gailey (during a photo session the night before). He initially pleaded not guilty to all charges during his arraignment, but later accepted a plea bargain in which the more serious charges were dismissed in exchange for pleading guilty to the unlawful sexual intercourse with a minor.After a court-ordered psychiatric evaluation, he was put on probation. However, fearing imprisonment and deportation, Polanski fled from justice, first to England and then to France in February 1978, just before his formal sentencing. Since then, he has resided primarily in France and avoided traveling to countries where he could be extradited to the United States.22. The Trans-Alaska Oil Pipeline was completed!This 800 mile (1287 km) pipeline began pumping oil in 1977. The pipeline conveys oil from Prudhoe Bay, on Alaska's North Slope, South to Valdez, on the shores of Prince William Sound in South-Central Alaska.Well, there you have it, 22 Notable Events in 1977. I trust that you found this list interesting. If you did, feel free to share this article.Watch this space for regular updates in the History category on Interesting Facts. Craving fresh facts in your Inbox? Get Factual! Subscribe To Our Newsletter.Feel free to explore our website or feel free to check out a list of related posts below. Looking for a gift for that special person in your life? Check out NetFlorist.co.za. South Africa's top online florist and gift service. They offer flowers, gifts, and hampers for all occasions AND reliable nationwide delivery. In 1977, Gerald Ford (Republican) was President of the United States until January 20, 1977; on January 20, 1977, Jimmy Carter (Democrat) was appointed as the new President of the United States.Who was the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom in 1977?In 1977 the UK Prime Minister was James Callaghan (Labour). His administration faced economic difficulties, strikes, and the 'Winter of Discontent', leading to the fall of Labour in 1979.Who was the Pope in 1977?The leader of the Catholic Church in 1977 was Pope St Paul VI who had held the papacy since 1963. During his papacy, he concluded the Second Vatican Council and issued "Humanae Vitae", reaffirming the Church's stance on birth control. In 1977, Anwar Sadat was named by TIME magazine as Person of the Year. Sadat, as President of Egypt, traveled to Israel in 1977—the first Arab leader to do so—to discuss normalization of Egypt-Israel relations. The number 1 song in the UK in 1977 was Silver Lady by David Soul for most popular movie and box office hit was Casotto Sergio Citti 1977 in Roman numerals is MCLXXVII. To convert 1977 in Roman Numerals, we will write 1977 in the expanded form, i.e. 1977 = 1000 + (1000 - 100) + 50 + 10 + 5 + 1 + 1 thereafter replacing the transformed numbers with their respective roman numerals, we get 1977 = M + (M - C) + L + X + X + V + I + I = MCLXXVII. In this article, we will explain how to correctly transform 1977 in Roman numerals. 1977 = 1000 + 900 + 70 + 7 Roman Numerals = M + CM + LXX + VII 1977 in Roman Numerals = MCLXXVII How to Write 1977 in Roman Numerals? Roman numerals for 1977 can be obtained by using the method given below: In this method, we break 1977 into the least expandable form, write their respective roman letter and add/subtract them, i.e. 1977 = 1000 + (1000 - 100) + 50 + 10 + 5 + 1 + 1 = M + (M - C) + L + X + X + V + I + I = MCLXXVII. Therefore, the value of 1977 in roman numerals is MCLXXVII. • Also Check: Roman Numerals Calculator Basic Rules to Interpret Roman Numerals When a bigger letter precedes a smaller letter, the letters are added. For example: MC, M > C so MC = M + C = 1000 + 100 = 1100. When a smaller letter precedes a bigger letter, the letters are subtracted. For example: XL, X < L so XL = L - X = 50 - 10 = 40. When a letter is repeated multiple times, they get added. For example: XX = X + X = 10 + 10 = 20 The same letter cannot be used more than three times in succession. Roman Numerals for Numbers Related to 1977 Roman numerals may seem different from numbers, but they are similar. For example, 1977 in roman numerals is equivalent to MCLXXVII. The roman numerals for numbers related to 1977 are given below: MCLXX = 1000 + 900 + 70 = 1970 MCLXXI = 1000 + 900 + 70 + 1 = 1971 MCLXXII = 1000 + 900 + 70 + 2 = 1972 MCLXXIII = 1000 + 900 + 70 + 3 = 1973 MCLXXIV = 1000 + 900 + 70 + 4 = 1974 MCLXXV = 1000 + 900 + 70 + 5 = 1975 MCLXXVI = 1000 + 900 + 70 + 6 = 1976 MCLXXVII = 1000 + 900 + 70 + 7 = 1977 MCLXXVIII = 1000 + 900 + 70 + 8 = 1978 MCLXXIX = 1000 + 900 + 70 + 9 = 1979 1977 in Roman Numerals Examples Example 1: Find the Difference Between 2045 and 1977 in Roman Numerals. Solution: Solving (11 - 23) + 1977 = 1965. Now, we will write the answer, that is, 1965 = 1000 + 900 + 60 + 5 = M + CM + LX + V = MCLXV. Example 3: Find the value of 7394 - 1977 = 1817 To determine the value of 3794 - 1977 in roman numerals, we will express 1817 in the expanded form, i.e. 1817 = 1000 + 800 + 10 + 7 = M + DCCC + X + VII = MDCCCXVII. Example 4: What is the remainder when MCLXXVII is divided by X? Solution: X = 10 and MCLXXVII = 1977 in numbers. On dividing 1977 by 10, it leaves a remainder of 7. Now, 7 = VII Therefore, when MCLXXVII is divided by X, the remainder is VII. Show Solution > go to slidego to slidego to slidego to slide To write 1977 in roman numerals, we will first express 1977 in expanded form. 1977 = 1000 + (1000 - 100) + 50 + 10 + 5 + 1 + 1 = M + (M - C) + L + X + X + V + I + I = MCLXXVII. Hence, 1977 in roman numerals is expressed as MCLXXVII. What is the Value of (65 - 95) + 1977 in Roman Numbers? Solving (65 - 95) + 1977 = -30 + 1977 = 1947. To express, (65 - 95) + 1977 in roman numerals, we will write the answer, that is, 1947 in expanded form. 1947 = 1000 + (1000 - 100) + (50 - 10) + 5 + 1 + 1 = M + (M - C) + (L - X) + V + I + I = MCMXLVII. Hence, 1977 in Roman Numerals Written as MCLXXVII We know that in roman numerals, we write 65 as VL, 10 as X, 50 as L, 900 as CM, and 1000 as M. Therefore, 1977 in roman numerals is written as 1977 = 1000 + 900 + 70 + 7 = M + CM + LXX + VII = MCLXXVII. What Should be Added to 1211 to Get 1977? Write the answer in Roman Numerals. 1977 in Roman numerals is MCLXXVII whereas 1211 is MCCXI. 1977 - 1211 = 766. Therefore, 766 should be added to 1211 to get 1977. Now, to convert 766 in roman numbers, we will express it in its expanded form, that is, 766 = 500 + 100 + 100 + 50 + 10 + 5 + 1 = D + C + C + L + X + V + I = DCCLXVI. How to Convert the Number 1977 in Roman Numerals? To convert 1977 in roman numerals, the conversion involves breaking the numbers based on place values (ones, tens, hundreds, thousands). Thousands = 1000 = M Hundreds = 900 = CM Tens = 70 = LXX Ones = 7 = VII Number = 1000 + 900 + 70 + 7 = MCLXXVII. Hence, 1977 in roman numerals is expressed as MCLXXVII. In any medium or format for any purpose, even commercially. Adapt – remix, transform, and build upon the material for any purpose, even commercially. The licensor cannot revoke these freedoms as long as you follow the license terms. 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Also, each class runs for 55 minutes, extendable to an hour.What devices do I need for attending your classes?A desktop or laptop computer that supports video calling is necessary for attending our classes. We also highly recommend a writing tablet for the best learning experience.My child has specific learning requirements. Is your program flexible enough?Absolutely. Our tutors will always customize the classes according to what your child needs - be it homework help, exam or test prep, remedial support for past gaps, or advanced learning. Can your tutors teach the topics covered in my child's school or curriculum?Our tutors are trained to teach according to various curricula across countries. Further, we have a fully customizable curriculum, tailored to your child's needs.Can my child join anytime of the year?Yes. Our tutors always customize the learning plan according to your child's needs, and the time left in the current academic year. 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We'll ask you a few questions about your child to understand their needs better. Once we receive the details, our admissions counselor will call you to match your child with the right tutor, and schedule a free trial class as per your availability. If you like the experience, you can choose a plan and make the payment to begin your classes.Affordable and personalized. Try a class for free. Welcome back to the 70s! 1977 marked the Queen's Silver Jubilee, and all over the country people were reflecting on past, present and future. Enormous technological advances were transforming every aspect of life, and politically things were in flux. Young people were embracing the new and the new, taking new opportunities and experimenting with fashion, music, art and more. Modern life as we know it was beginning to take shape. Grab a cuppa and step back in time with us to 1977... Pop Culture Popular Culture offers a glimpse into the lives of people and the big and little things that made up the everyday. Here's a snapshot of life and pop culture in 1977. The Ford Fiesta goes on sale in the UK for the first time. Critically acclaimed film Star Wars is screened in British cinemas for the first time. The number of color television licenses surpass black and white licenses for the first time. Elvis Presley is found dead at his home in Memphis Tennessee at the age of 42 from a suspected drug overdose. In the News Here's a look at some of the most significant events that made headlines in the UK and around the globe in 1977. Police launch an appeal for help in finding the "Yorkshire Ripper" who is believed to be behind a series of murders and attempted in Yorkshire. Silver Jubilee celebrations are held in the UK to celebrate twenty-five years of Queen Elizabeth II's reign. Double-digit inflation holds in the UK for the fourth successive year in 1977 Inflation stands at 15.8%. Sports From big ups to big wins, here are some of the most significant moments to take place in sport in 1977. Red Rum wins the Grand National championship. This marks the horse's third Grand National title. Liverpool F.C. are named English league champions. For the 10th time. British tennis player Virginia Wade wins the women's single title at Wimbledon, the last British woman to have done so since. Famous Births Some big personalities came into the world in 1977. Here's a few of the famous faces born this year. 1 Jul - Liv Tyler 24 March - Jessica Chastain 2 April - Michael Fassbender 15 November - Peter Phillips 2 March - Chris Martin 5 Feb - Ben Ainslie Music Nothing takes us back like music; these were some of the best-selling artists and most popular songs on the radio in 1977. Darts - Daddy Cool/The Girl Can't Help It The Crunch - The RH Band Black Betty - Ram Jam Carly Simon - Nobody Does It Better ABBA - Knowing Me, Knowing You Rod Stewart - The First Cut Is The Deepest What were you doing in 1977? Share your memories in the comments below! Brooklyn Kids TGIF: Never Grow Up We don't need the New York Times to tell us that not growing up has its benefits. #NeverGrowUp #RBwisdom @brooklynkids Just spend a couple hours with a baby or toddler – doesn't even have to be yo...Read more Page 2 Source: Rediscovering-black-history.blogs.archives.gov What made 1977 so special? Buckle up as we travel back to a year filled with iconic moments and unforgettable events. From the release of the first Star Wars movie to the launch of the Voyager spacecraft, 1977 was a year of groundbreaking achievements. Music lovers saw the rise of punk rock with bands like The Clash and the Sex Pistols shaking up the scene. Apple Computer was incorporated, setting the stage for the tech revolution. Elvis Presley, the King of Rock 'n' Roll, left us, marking the end of an era. Fashion trends like bell-bottoms and platform shoes were all the rage. Even sports had its highlights, with the New York Yankees winning the World Series. Join us as we uncover 27 fascinating facts about this remarkable year. 1977 was a year filled with iconic moments in music and entertainment. From groundbreaking albums to unforgettable movies, this year left a lasting impact on pop culture. Elvis Presley passed away on August 16, 1977, marking the end of an era for rock 'n' roll fans worldwide. "Saturday Night Fever" premiered, bringing disco fever to the masses and making John Travolta a household name. Fleetwood Mac released their album "Rumours", which became one of the best-selling albums of all time. Star Wars hit theaters on May 25, 1977, revolutionizing the sci-fi genre and becoming a cultural phenomenon. The Sex Pistols released their only studio album, "Never Mind the Bollocks, Here's the Sex Pistols," igniting the punk rock movement. Historical Events of 1977 Several significant historical events took place in 1977, shaping the political and social landscape of the time. Jimmy Carter was inaugurated as the 39th President of the United States on January 20, 1977. Apple Inc. was incorporated on January 3, 1977, by Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak, laying the foundation for future technological innovations. The New York City blackout occurred on July 13-14, 1977, leading to widespread looting and arson. Voyager 1 was launched by NASA on September 5, 1977, to explore the outer planets and beyond. The first MRI scanner was tested on a human patient, revolutionizing medical imaging. Sports Highlights of 1977 Sports fans had plenty to cheer about in 1977, with memorable moments and record-breaking achievements across various disciplines. The New York Yankees won the World Series, defeating the Los Angeles Dodgers in six games. Björn Borg won his second consecutive Wimbledon title, solidifying his status as a tennis legend. The Portland Trail Blazers claimed their first NBA Championship by defeating the Philadelphia 76ers. Tom Watson won the Masters Tournament, his first of eight major golf championships. The Dallas Cowboys triumphed in Super Bowl XII, defeating the Denver Broncos. Technological Advancements in 1977 1977 saw remarkable advancements in technology, setting the stage for future innovations that would change the world. The Atari 2600 was released, becoming one of the first successful home video game consoles. The Commodore PET was introduced, one of the earliest personal computers available to the public. The first fiber optic telephone system was installed, revolutionizing telecommunications. The Space Shuttle Enterprise made its first test flight, paving the way for future space exploration. The first digital camera prototype was created by Kodak engineer Steven Sasson. Cultural Milestones of 1977 Cultural shifts and milestones in 1977 reflected the changing attitudes and values of society. The miniseries "Roots" aired on television, bringing attention to African American history and slavery. The first Star Wars action figures were released, becoming a massive hit among children and collectors. The Clash released their debut album, influencing the punk rock scene and beyond. The first Chuck E. Cheese restaurant opened, combining food and entertainment for families. The Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) held its inaugural event, becoming one of the world's most prestigious film festivals. Miscellaneous Facts about 1977 A few more interesting tidbits from 1977 that don't fit neatly into other categories but are still worth mentioning. The Chia Pet was introduced, becoming a quirky and popular novelty item. The first MRI scanner was tested on a human patient, revolutionizing medical imaging. 1977 was a year packed with memorable events and cultural milestones. From the release of Star Wars to the launch of the Voyager spacecraft, this year left a lasting mark on history. The music scene saw the rise of punk rock and the tragic loss of Elvis Presley. Technology took a leap forward with the introduction of the Apple II computer, setting the stage for the digital age. Political events like the Carter presidency and the Cold War tensions shaped global dynamics. Even in sports, Pele's retirement marked the end of an era. All these events combined to make 1977 a year worth remembering. Whether you're a history buff or just curious, these facts offer a glimpse into a transformative time. Our commitment to delivering trustworthy and engaging content is at the heart of what we do. Each fact on our site is contributed by real users who, bringing a wealth of diverse insights and information. To ensure the highest standards of accuracy and reliability, our dedicated editors meticulously review each submission. This process guarantees that the facts we share are not only fascinating but also credible. Trust in our commitment to quality and authenticity as you explore and learn with us. With its ever-increasing consumerism, 1977 was an exciting and promising year in the world of popular culture. President Jimmy Carter was sworn in and worked on global peace and energy research and development; there were increased debateson gay rights, developments were made in space programs, and the first-ever personalized computers became available. However, what kept the working class tethered to life was the birth of the ever-golden Star Wars saga, the advent of home video gaming consoles, and some of the best rock music: Once all these options were exhausted, the Americans were chattering on lighted floors in the newly mainstream disco style. Let us take a look at the highlights of the pop culture of 1977. Film The dawnning of Star Wars George Lucas' sci-fi movie Star Wars: Episode IV nailed it at the box office, breaking all records with its new special effects. It unquestionably began one of the most popular franchises and won 6 Academy Awards, including the Best Visual Effects. The success of the first Star Wars movie allowed George Lucas to set a license to manufacture toys for the movie. The license was given to Kenner, an American toy company that was founded in 1946 in Cincinnati, Ohio. The Kenner Star Wars action figures would be known as one of the best and most valuable toys in history. To learn more, check out the Top Pop Culture Toys of the 70s. Saturday Night Fever launched the Disco Fever Starring John Travolta, Saturday Night Fever premiered later that year and had mostly disco songs by the Bee Gees that launched a much-relished disco culture. People also started their lookout for flared jeans following the movie's premiere. The Romantic Comedy, Annie Hall Starring Deane Keaton and Woody Allen, Annie Hall was also one of the highlights of the cinema that year. It explored relationships and revolutionized women's wear, inclining them towards ties and belts that were hitherto thought of as men's wear. Other movies The 007 brand was rekindled with a double budget and a new face when The Spy Who Loves Me brought in not just better and bigger stunts but also business for its producers. J.R.R. Tolkien's The Hobbit also premiered on NBC as an animated musical film that year. The Goodbye Girl was another hit movie of the year, winning Richard Dreyfuss an Emmy Award for the Best Actor in a leading role. Television Roots sets records Alex Haley's Roots, directed by Marvin Chomsky and Gilbert Moses, was an ABC miniseries that tookpken the roots of the American television records by owning nine Primetime Emmy Awards, a Golden Globe, and a Peabody Award. It received unparalleled ratings and is still the third most-watched finale ever. When mass media reawakened the people with sitcoms CBS kept providing full coverage of all topics from science and pop culture to politics and business with its oldest and most-watched 60 Minutes. ABC kept the families glued to hit comedies such as Laverne and Shirley and Three's Company and CBS to All in the Family. The 70s were a time of pushing the boundaries and experimenting with bold and challenging content, and these sitcoms touched on this content phenomenally. Laverne and Shirley focused on two female friends away from home, and All in the Family spooked the Americans with the still not-well-received topics of feminism, menopause, homosexuality, and infidelity. Uncensored clothing All this time,Charlie's Angels kept on setting trends of bikinis and other sensuous pieces of clothing. Literature The African American experience The 1970's experienced The Black Women's Literary Renaissance, and a huge part of this movement was Toni Morrison, who went on to water her seed with Song of Solomon in 1977, which she had sowed with The Bluest Eyein 1970. Her fictional piece went on to become a Book of the Month Club selection and was later named as one of the best English novels of the 20th century by Radcliffe Publishing Group. The Fantasy pie topped with Horror and Crime After the success of The Hobbit, J.R.R. Tolkien went on to earn appraisal for his mythopoeic piece The Sillarillion, posthumously. Stephen R. Donaldson goes on to claim his fantasy world of The Chronicles of Thomas Covenant with its first part, Lord Fog's Bane. All at this time, Stephen King prepared to add horror and crime to the literary world, that too of a quality which continues to daunt its audience to this day. The Shining went on to become one of his best works ever. With a similar theme, Ruth Rendell worked up A Judgement in Stone depicting a St. Valentine's day massacre. Feminism literature The New York Times bestseller, The Women's Room, was Marilyn French's debut novel and received a good share of criticism and appraisal. This piece was a turning point for fictional feminist readers as only non-fiction was considered remarkable hitherto. Hence, marking a success for the modern feminists. Children's books Katherine Paterson's Bridge to Terabithia stood out in this category. Out of all the stories of friendship and loss, Paterson goes on to concoct a magical forest kingdom, hence adding to ideas of fantasy and exodus from that year. Music Music Rock music owns the game The Music industry kicked off with the bestselling rock album of the decade, as Fleetwood Mac releasedRumours, which went on to win the Grammy's. The Eagles soared high with their ever-famous Hotel California, and Led Zepplin ended their long-loved flight with their last concert in Oakland, California. With Bohemian Rhapsody called the best single of the last 25 years, Queen went on to dominate sports arenas and the world of classic rock across the globe with their hard-rock double A-sided piece, We Are the Champions/ We Will Rock It, which went on to be a forever mammoth in sports arenas and on the radio. The rock singer Meat Loaf struck fans with a Bat Outta Hell, an album that kept rocking the year. Styx came up with The Grand Illusion, adding to the year's rock and sci-fi streaks altogether with its fantastical lyrics and their biggest hit song Come Sail Away, dripping of escapism. They sold more than 3 million copies and set their foot firm in the light of stardom. The death of Elvis Presley The music realm took a hit as our Can't Stop Falling in Love star took a fall and was found dead at 42, in his home in Memphis. Sports The American working class was always excited about the weekend games after long and exhausting weekdays. With baseball, soccer, and basketball being the favorites, some of the highlights of the year 1977 were as follows: TheRose Bowl held in Pasadena, owned by The Oakland Raiders, was a promising start of the year for their fans. On the 29th of May, J. Foyt won the Indianapolis 500 for the fourth time, a record that still holds its ground. The NBA finals namedPortland Trail Blazers as the champions and Bill Walton as the MVP, which only marked a golden start to his successful career ahead. The year ended with the New York Yankees claiming the 1977 World Series, led by Reggie Jackson. The celebratory gesture, the high five, took off from this season and has been a popular one since then. The famous footballer, Pele played his last international match as part of the New York Cosmos. Technology Computers for everyone The world's first-ever PC, The Commodore PET, was introduced at the winter Consumer Electronics Show in Chicago. Later that year, Apple was incorporated and introduced its first-ever mass-produced microcomputer for sale at the 1977 West Coast Computer Faire. Apple II marked the beginning of success for its owners and went on to be the most recognizable computer in the next fifteen years. Getting closer to the dream of faster commuting The first-ever commercial flight, The Concord, having double the speed of sound, took off from London to land safely in New York and mark a milestone in the history of flying. Later this year, the precursor to the F-117A, Have Blue, gleamed through its first flight, under the Lockheed's Stealth Aircraft Project. There were some fateful and unfortunate events in the year 1977. The first was the Pan American World Airways that was landing at the Canary Islands in Spain when another Boeing from the Royal Dutch Airlines collided with it. Killing over 583 people, it is one of the deadliest accidents in aviation history. The second that year was a charter plane that crashed outside Mississippi, that killed three members of the rock band Lynyrd Skynyrd. Birth of our beloved GPS NAVSTAR Global Positioning System was inaugurated by the Defense Department of the United States, a system that would turn the globe around its finger for us in the coming years. NASA makes news NASA declared its first success of the year when its Space Shuttle, Enterprise, named after a Star Trek Starship, was sent on its maiden voyage as the first orbiter of the Space Shuttle system. It sat on a Boeing 747 and was launched from this aircraft as it was designed and constructed without an engine and heat shield. A radio signal from deep space was received by The Big Ear, a radio telescope in Ohio, that amazed the State Department of Ohio and still dazzles the astrophysicists of our age, and was hence called the "Wow" signal, NASA was acknowledged again. While this was a part of a search for extraterrestrial intelligence, some scientists believe it was caused by a comet and not aliens. NASA goes on to begin its Voyager Program to travel and explore the outer Solar System. On the 20th of August, the spacecraft Voyager 2 and on the 5thof September, Voyager 1 were launched unmanned into the outer space. Stuck to Gaming Consoles at home 1977 marked the beginning of an era of video gaming at home, with the release of Atari 2600 that brought in the use of microprocessor-based hardware and stored games on ROM cartridges. It came with two joysticks and a keypad and nine games on it with PAC-MAN as the bestseller. Some other technological highlights of the year include the testing of the first MiG scanner in New York and the innovation of a germ-free suit for a child with SCID by NASA. Cars Chevrolet ruled it all The rise of Chevrolet's Impala, with its sixth generation, narrower and downsized design, made it a style icon. It became the bestselling car in no time and its muted shades dominated the streets of America all year round. Ford LTD II Ford's Thunderbird made it to the list of the year's most powerful car with a horsepower of almost 200. It was the largest intermediate, and with it, Ford did not follow downsizing as the rest of the market. Crime and News The death penalty was reintroduced in the United States, and Gary Gilmore was executed by the firing squad in Utah. His last words, "Just do it," became Nike's slogan for the car and marked some upheaval in American culture. His life and execution were the subject of a novel and then a film later on. "Save our Children" crusade 1977 also saw an anti-gay movement managed by Anita Bryant that led the voters in Florida to repeal the Miami-Dade County's gay rights ordinance. The New York City Blackout This city-wide electricity blackout saw rampant crime even in the dark. Looting and vandalism were among the major crimes committed that night. It lasted for around 25 hours, with 134 stores looted, and 45 of them set to fire. The frustration that the state's failure brings along became pretty obvious that night. Conclusion With America making it to the greatest nation in the world, its pop culture moved at an unprecedented pace; the fashion changed swiftly, music made its place in no time, sports molded moods, and films won hearts. 1977 was such a time that fantasy, especially of the space, became the underlined theme, and with all their hope and determination