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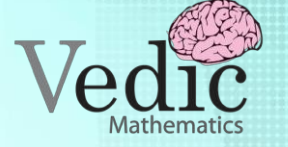
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#### Important Days

**World Rabies Day:** Observed annually to raise awareness about rabies prevention and highlight efforts to eliminate the disease. It also marks the death anniversary of Louis Pasteur, the French chemist and microbiologist who developed the first rabies vaccine.



**International Day for Universal Access to Information (IDUAI):** This day, proclaimed by UNESCO, focuses on the right to information and the importance of open and accessible information in society.

**Gunners Day (Raising Day of the Indian Artillery):** This day commemorates the raising of the first Indian Artillery unit.

**Surgical Strike Day:** The day is also associated with the commemoration of the surgical strikes conducted by the Indian Army on September 28, 2016.

**Daughters' Day (Fourth Sunday of September):** If September 28th falls on the fourth Sunday, it is celebrated as Daughters' Day in India to honor daughters and challenge gender stereotypes.

#### Birth Anniversaries – Indian Personalities

**Lata Mangeshkar (1929 – 2022):** Lata Mangeshkar (Hindi pronunciation: born Hema Mangeshkar; 28 September 1929 – 6 February 2022) was an Indian



playback singer and occasional music composer. She is considered to be one of the greatest and most influential

singers of the Indian subcontinent. Her contribution to the Indian music industry in a career spanning eight decades gained her honorific titles such as the "Queen

of Melody" and "Voice of the Millennium". Mangeshkar recorded songs in over thirty-six Indian languages and a few foreign languages, though primarily in Hindi, Bengali and Marathi. She received several accolades and honors throughout her career. In 1989, the Dadasaheb Phalke Award was bestowed on her by the Government of India. In 2001, in recognition of her contributions to the nation, she was awarded the Bharat Ratna, becoming only the second singer to receive India's highest civilian honour. In 2009, France made her an Officer of the National Order of the Legion of Honour, the country's highest civilian award. She was the recipient of three National Film Awards, 15 Bengal Film Journalists' Association Awards, four Filmfare Best Female Playback Awards, before declining further ones, two Filmfare Special Awards, the Filmfare Lifetime Achievement Award amongst others. In 1974, she became the first Indian playback singer to perform at the Royal Albert Hall in London, England.

#### Historical event for India

**(1827): Gunner's Day** This date marks the Raising Day of the 5 (Bombay) Mountain Battery in 1827, which is celebrated by the Indian Regiment of Artillery as Gunner's Day, commemorating the first native artillery unit.

**(2023): Death of M. S. Swaminathan** The renowned agricultural scientist, widely known as a key architect of India's 'Green Revolution,' passed away on September 28, 2023.

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#### International Observances

**World Rivers Day** (Variable Date): This is often observed on the fourth Sunday of September, which occasionally falls on the 28th. It raises awareness of the vital importance of rivers and strives to increase public participation in river protection.

#### Birth Anniversaries – International Personalities

**Sheikh Hasina (1947):** Bangladeshi politician who served as the tenth prime minister of Bangladesh from June 1996 to July 2001 and again from January 2009 to August 2024. Serving for a combined total of over 20 years, she was the longest-serving prime minister of Bangladesh since the country's independence and the longest-serving female head of government in the world. Critics characterized her premiership with dictatorship, oligarchy and crimes against humanity.

She resigned and was exiled to India following the July Revolution in 2024

#### Death Anniversaries – International Personalities

**Edwin Hubble (1953):** The American astronomer who played a crucial role in establishing the fields of extragalactic astronomy and observational cosmology, and after whom the Hubble Space Telescope is named.

**Pope John Paul I (1978):** Died unexpectedly after only 33 days in office.

#### International Historical Events

**1066: The Norman Conquest Begins** William, Duke of Normandy (later known as William the Conqueror), landed his army at Pevensey Bay in England, beginning the Norman Conquest. This invasion culminated in the Battle of Hastings and fundamentally changed the course of English history, language, and culture.

**1928: The Discovery of Penicillin** Scottish bacteriologist Alexander Fleming discovered the world's first antibiotic, penicillin, when he noticed a mold contaminating a petri dish of staphylococcus bacteria had killed the surrounding germs. This discovery is a cornerstone of modern medicine.

**1939: Partition of Poland** During the early stages of World War II, Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union signed a joint declaration in Moscow agreeing on the division of Poland into spheres of influence, following their respective invasions of the country.

**1961: Dissolution of the United Arab Republic** A military coup in Damascus led to the dissolution of the United Arab Republic, a short-lived political union between Egypt and Syria that had been established in 1958.







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**1995: Oslo II Accord Signed** Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat signed the Interim Agreement on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip (Oslo II Accord) at the White House. This agreement provided for the expansion of Palestinian self-rule in the West Bank.

**2008: SpaceX Falcon 1 Launch** SpaceX successfully launched its Falcon 1 rocket into orbit, making it the first successful orbital launch by a privately developed and funded liquid-propellant rocket. This marked a major milestone for commercial spaceflight.

#### Other Significant Events

**48 BC:** Roman general and statesman Pompey the Great was assassinated upon his arrival in Egypt on the orders of King Ptolemy XIII.

**1781:** The Siege of Yorktown, the decisive battle of the American Revolutionary War, began in Virginia, which ultimately led to the British surrender.

**1972:** Japan and the People's Republic of China agreed to re-establish diplomatic relations, officially ending the state of war between them.

**1973: Wilt Chamberlain Signs with San Diego** Legendary basketball center Wilt Chamberlain signed with the San Diego Conquistadors of the American Basketball Association (ABA) after a successful career in the NBA.

**1962: MLB Stolen Base Record Maury Wills** of the Los Angeles Dodgers set a new Major League Baseball (MLB) record for stolen bases in a single season when he successfully stole his 97th base, surpassing Ty Cobb's 47-year-old mark. He finished the season with 104.

**1948: Boston Braves Win NL Pennant** The Boston Braves won the National League pennant for the first time since 1914.

**1925: Walter Hagen's Third PGA Championship** American professional golfer Walter Hagen won the PGA Championship for the third time in his career.

**1867: Old Tom Morris Wins British Open** Tom Morris Sr., often called "Old Tom Morris," won the British Open golf tournament for the fourth time.

#### Sports-related Historical Events Internationally

**2008: Formula One's Inaugural Night Race** The Singapore Grand Prix was held for the first time on September 28, 2008, becoming the first-ever night race in Formula One history. The race was won by Fernando Alonso.

**1993: F1 World Drivers' Championship Alain Prost** clinched his fourth and final Formula One World Drivers' Championship after finishing second in the Portuguese Grand Prix.

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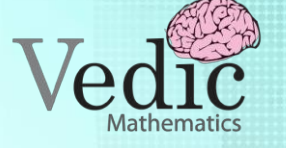
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