

February 2021*: Black History Month

*Look for the *green lettering* to Explore more information.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	1902: Poet Langston Hughes is born. <i>Explore Hughes' poetry.</i> 1960: The "Greensboro 4" (North Carolina) sit-in re-ignites the civil rights movement.	2009: Eric Holder is sworn in as the first African-American attorney general.	1870: The 15 th amendment to the U.S. Constitution is ratified, giving African-American men the right to vote. 1965: Sculptor Geraldine McCullough wins the Widener Gold Medal Award. <i>Explore McCullough's life and work.</i>	1913: Civil Rights activist Rosa Parks is born. <i>Explore! "Rosa Parks: In Her Words" exhibit (Library of Congress)</i>	1934: Henry "Hank" Aaron is born. <i>Explore! "Remembering Hank Aaron" video</i>	
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1791: Inventor and surveyor Benjamin Banneker begins to lay out Washington, D.C.	1944: Harry S. McAlpin becomes the first African-American journalist admitted to a White House press conference. 1986: Oprah Winfrey becomes the first African-American woman to host a national talk show.	1944: Novelist and poet Alice Walker is born. <i>Explore! Listen to Walker read her poem "You Confide in Me."</i> 1995: Dr. Bernard A. Harris Jr. becomes the first African-American to walk in space. <i>Explore! Watch an interview with Harris.</i>	1964: The U.S. House of Representatives passes the Civil Rights Act of 1964. 1967: Leontyne Price, internationally acclaimed opera singer, is born. <i>Explore! Watch Price's performance of 'O patria mia'.</i> 2007: Barak Obama formally announces the start of his presidential campaign.	1989: Rev. Barbara C. Harris is ordained as the first female bishop of the Episcopal Church.	1909: The NAACP is founded.	1920: Andrew Rube Foster organizes the National Association of Professional Baseball Club (Negro League).
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1817: Frederick Douglass is born. 1920: Mammie Smith is the first African-American woman to make a record. <i>Explore! Listen to "Crazy Blues" (1920).</i>	Presidents' Day 1968: Henry Lewis becomes the first African-American to lead a U.S. symphony orchestra. <i>Explore! Listen to Lewis talk about the makeup of a symphony orchestra.</i>	1970: Joe Frazier becomes the World Heavyweight boxing champion.	1963: Basketball legend Michael Jordan is born.	1931: Toni Morrison is born. <i>Explore: Listen and watch Morrison's Nobel Lecture, 1993.</i>	1992: John Singleton is the first African-American director to receive an Academy Award nomination. 2002: Vonetta Flowers is the first African-American athlete to win gold at the Winter Olympics. <i>Explore! Watch an interview with Flowers.</i>	
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1965: Malcolm X is assassinated. <i>Explore! Watch Malcolm X's speech on police brutality.</i>	1989: Colonel Fredrick Drew Gregory is the first African-American astronaut to command the space shuttle Discovery.	1868: William DuBois is born.	1864: Rebecca Lee Crumpler becomes the first African-American woman to receive an M.D. degree. <i>Explore! Watch Voices of the Civil War Episode 25: Rebecca Lee Crumpler.</i>	1870: Hirman Revels (Mississippi) is sworn in as the first African-American U.S. senator and Representative in Congress. 1948: Martin Luther King Jr. is ordained as a Baptist minister.	1926: Carter G. Woodson starts Negro History Week; the week would later evolve into Black History Month.	1988: Figure skater Debi Thomas is the first African-American to win a medal (bronze) at the Winter Olympics. <i>Explore! Thomas' Olympic performance.</i>
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