

## What were you doing when ...?

Using long sentences, explain what you were doing when you heard the news below.

- 1. The Cuban revolution started in 1959.
- 2. The Vietnam war started in 1959.
- 3. The Beatles formed in 1960.
- 4. Martin Luther King Jr. gave the famous "I have a dream" speech in 1963.
- 5. John F Kennedy was assassinated in 1963.
- 6. The troubles in Northern Ireland began in 1968.
- 7. Man first landed on the moon in 1969.
- 8. The Munich Olympics were overshadowed by the Munich Massacre in 1972.
- 9. The Vietnam war ended in 1975.
- 10. Smallpox was eradicated in 1979.
- 11. John Lennon was murdered in 1980.
- 12. The Falklands War happened in 1982.
- 13. The first CD player was released by Sony in 1983.
- 14. The Pan Am Flight 103 falls over Lockerbie in 1988.
- 15. The Berlin Wall fell in 1989.
- 16. The Tiananmen Square Massacre happened in 1989.
- 17. The World Wide Web was invented in 1990.
- 18. Apartheid ended in South Africa and Nelson Mandela was elected in 1994.
- 19. The World Trade Organization was established in 1995.
- 20. The Lewinsky Scandal in 1997.
- 21. Diana Princess of Wales died in a car accident in 1997.
- 22. The Good Friday agreement was signed in 1998.
- 23. The Euro was introduced in 1999.
- 24. The twin towers were hit in 2001.
- 25. The first iPod was released in 2001.
- 26. Facebook was created in 2004.
- 27. The Boxing Day Tsunami in the Indian Ocean hit land in 2004.
- 28. The stock markets plunged in 2008.
- 29. Barack Obama was elected as the first black president of the United States of America in 2008.
- 30. The largest oil spill in the US (in the Gulf of Mexico) happened in 2010.
- 31. Instagram was launched in 2010.

- 32. You heard about the News International phone hacking scandal in 2011.
- 33. Prince William and Catherine Middleton got married in 2011.
- 34. Edward Snowden released classified documents in 2013.
- 35. The worst Ebola epidemic occurred in 2014.
- 36. The Malaysia Airline Flight 370 disappeared in 2014.
- 37. Paris was attacked by terrorists in 2015.
- 38. The Zika virus had an outbreak in 2016.
- 39. Donald Trump was elected as president of the United States of America in 2016.
- 40. Robert Mugabe was ousted from government in 2017.
- 41. The Grenfell Tower set on fire in 2017.
- 42. The first meeting between the USA and North Korean leaders happened in 2018.
- 43. The yellow vest movement started in 2018.