

Timeline

Can you find more events from history for the years not shown on the timeline?

1948	End of rationing begins
1949	Britain recognises the independence of Ireland
1951	Festival of Britain
1953	Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II
1954	End of food rationing/First BBC news bulletin
1955	ITV begins broadcasting
1957	Russians launch Sputnik
1959	M1 motorway opened
1961	Yuri Gagarin becomes the first human in space
1964	BBC 2 begins broadcasting
1967	Colour television introduced
1969	Electric kettle available for first time/Man lands on the moon
1971	Currency is decimalised
1972	First digital watches appear
1975	First video recorder (Betamax) available to buy
1976	Solar power calculators appear
1977	Queen Elizabeth II's Silver Jubilee
1979	Margaret Thatcher becomes the first female British Prime Minister
1981	Wedding of Charles and Diana
1982	Falklands War/ First popular home computer appears (ZX Spectrum)
1984	Miners strike begins
1985	Live Aid
1991	Gulf War
1994	Channel Tunnel opens
1997	Princess Diana dies
1999	Scottish Parliament and Welsh Assembly opened
2001	September 11 terrorist attack in New York
2002	Queen Mother dies/Queen Elizabeth II's Golden Jubilee
2003	War in Iraq
2004	Tsunami devastates areas of South East Asia
2005	Live 8 concert held in Hyde Park to raise awareness of world poverty

