

A Bornean clouded leopard is perched on a thick, mossy tree branch in a lush, green forest. The leopard's coat is dark with distinctive lighter, cloud-like markings. It is looking towards the right of the frame.

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▲ The Bornean clouded leopard, found on the islands of Borneo and Sumatra, was classified as a species separate from its relative in mainland Southeast Asia

1794: American inventor Eli Whitney was granted a patent for his cotton gin that separated the cotton seeds from the raw cotton fibres and revolutionised the cotton industry

1879: German-born U.S. physicist Albert Einstein was born

1883: Karl Marx, co-author of The Communist Manifesto, died in London

1983: OPEC cut their official oil prices for the first time and introduced production quotas