



Today in History

January 9, 1324

▲ Venetian explorer Marco Polo died. His epic 24-year travels through the Orient did much to introduce Europeans to Central Asia and China

1944: Jimmy Page, guitarist for English rock band Led Zeppelin, was born

1980: Saudi Arabia announced it had beheaded 63 of the Shiite extremists who seized the Great Mosque in Mecca the previous November

1997: British round-the-world sailor Tony Bullimore was rescued after five days in an airpocket in the hull of his capsized boat in the Southern Ocean

2007: Apple introduced the revolutionary new iPhone