



Today in History

September 10, 480 BC

▲ **King Leonidas of Sparta and 1,000 Greeks were finally beaten by the Persians after three days of stiff resistance at the Battle of Thermopylae**

1921: The world's first motorway opened in Berlin, Germany

1942: Britain's RAF used 476 planes to deliver 100,000 bombs on Duesseldorf in a single raid

1981: Guernica, Picasso's Spanish Civil War painting, was transferred to Madrid. He had said it would not enter Spain until democracy was restored

2009: The Dubai Metro, the first mass transit system on the Arabian Peninsula, was officially opened