



Today in History

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▲ **China opened the world's longest high-speed rail route, with trains travelling at up to 350km/h between Beijing and Guangzhou, a journey of over 900km**

1898: Marie Curie, Pierre Curie, and Gustave Bemont published their discovery of radium

1901: The Uganda Railway in what was then British East Africa, later to become Kenya, was completed

2006: Thieves trying to steal gasoline from a pipeline in Nigeria caused an explosion killing at least 260 people

2007: Six French charity workers were convicted in Chad of trying to kidnap 103 children for adoption