



Today in History

February 8, 1932

▲ U.S. composer John Williams, whose well loved movie scores include Star Wars, Indiana Jones, Jaws, E.T. and Jurassic Park, was born in New York

1937: General Franco captured Malaga during the Spanish Civil War

1993: The newly divided Czech and Slovak republics began using separate currencies for the first time

2010: A colony of Galapagos Islands fur seals relocated 1,500km to northern Peru, the first time they had set up a colony outside the islands

2012: Scientists successfully drilled down to Lake Vostok, a lake sealed 3km beneath the Antarctic