



Today in History

May 1, 1707

▲ **England and Scotland were united as Great Britain. Scottish Nationalists are now arguing for a new referendum on independence following the Brexit vote**

1753: Botanist Carolus Linnaeus first named plants systematically according to their genera and species

1978: Japanese explorer Naomi Uemura became the first man to reach the North Pole solo

1994: Three-time Formula 1 world champion Ayrton Senna was killed at the San Marino Grand Prix

2006: Over a million immigrants in the U.S. withdrew their labour to prove their value to the economy