



Today in History

October 1, 1964

▲ Japan's Shinkansen "bullet train" made its first journey from Tokyo to Osaka. The world's busiest high-speed rail line carries 150 million passengers per year

1869: The world's first postcard went on sale in Austria, issued to help soldiers to keep in touch with home

1912: Edgar Rice Burroughs' fictional creation, Tarzan, was introduced in a 15-cent magazine

1969: The supersonic Anglo-French Concorde aircraft broke the sound barrier for the first time

2009: Paleontologists announced the discovery of a human ancestor around 4.4 million years old