



Today in History

January 18, 1944

▲ **The World War II siege of Leningrad was broken by Russian forces after 900 days during which almost one million civilians died in the beleaguered city**

1788: The First Fleet, carrying convicts and settlers to Australia, dropped anchor in Botany Bay

1919: The peace conference after World War One opened at Versailles

1974: Egypt and Israel signed an agreement to disengage their forces along the Suez Canal

2016: For the second year in a row, no African-American actors were nominated for acting Oscars, sparking calls to boycott the event