

A photograph of an astronaut in a white spacesuit floating in space, with the Earth's blue and white clouds visible in the background. The astronaut is positioned in the lower right, looking towards the left. The Earth's horizon is visible in the upper left.

Today in History

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▲ **SpaceX successfully launched its Falcon Heavy rocket on its maiden flight, carrying founder Elon Musk's Tesla Roadster as a dummy payload**

1819: Sir Thomas Stamford Raffles negotiated the foundation of modern Singapore

1927: Ten-year-old violin child prodigy Yehudi Menuhin caused a sensation on his debut in Paris

1935: The best-selling property trading board game Monopoly, named after the economic concept, made its debut

1964: Britain and France agreed to build a Channel tunnel, which eventually opened in 1994