



Today in History

December 26, 2004

▲ A magnitude 9.1 earthquake under the Indian Ocean triggered devastating tsunamis which killed around 230,000 people from Indonesia to the coast of Africa

1906: The world's first feature film, *The Story of the Kelly Gang*, opened in Melbourne, Australia

1975: The Soviet Union's Tupolev-144 became the first supersonic aircraft to go into regular service

2004: Pro-Western opposition leader Viktor Yushchenko won Ukraine's re-run presidential election

2009: China opened the world's longest high-speed rail route between Beijing and Guangzhou