



Today in History

August 29, 2005

▲ **Hurricane Katrina devastated the U.S. Gulf Coast. At least 1,800 people died, many in New Orleans which suffered 80% flooding after the city's levees failed**

1885: Gottlieb Daimler patented the world's first motorcycle in Germany

1965: America's Gemini V spacecraft splashed down after an eight-day flight, doubling the U.S space-flight record thanks to new fuel cells

1975: Peruvian president Juan Velasco Alvarado was overthrown in a coup

2017: North Korea fired a Hwasong-12 missile over Japan in a move described as an "unprecedented" threat