

A photograph of Steve Jobs, co-founder of Apple, holding an iPhone. He is wearing his signature black turtleneck and glasses. The background features a large, out-of-focus Apple logo.

# Today in History

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▲ **Steve Jobs, co-founder of Apple, died at age 56. A pioneer of the personal computer, he also revolutionised the way we use all forms of mobile communication**

**1964:** Fifty-seven East German refugees escaped to the West by tunnelling under the Berlin Wall

**1982:** Seven deaths in the U.S. from cyanide in Tylenol capsules led to tamper-proof packaging

**1996:** Fifty countries adopted a declaration to ban anti-personnel land mines

**2004:** Niger produced its first gold bar from a mine in a gold field discovered some 15 years earlier