



# Today in History

*October 6, 1973*

▲ **The Yom Kippur war began when a coalition of Arab states led by Egypt and Syria invaded Israel. The war lasted three weeks before a UN ceasefire was agreed**

**1807:** Humphrey Davy discovered potassium through the electrolysis of very dry molten caustic potash

**1927: The Jazz Singer, the first full-length movie with spoken dialogue, opened in New York**

**1981:** Egyptian president Anwar Sadat was assassinated by Islamic extremists while watching a military parade

**2008: A major financial crisis erupted in Iceland with the default of three private commercial banks**