

1900 to Present Day

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India/China

- Mexican Revolution (1910-20)
- WWI (1914-18)
- Russian Revolution (1917-18)
- British crack down on freedom of the press and assembly in the Rowlatt Acts (1919)
- Guomindang (GMD) and Communists vie for power (1925-49)
- Salt March campaign (1930-2)
- Japanese seize Manchuria (1931) and go on to invade China proper (1937)
- WWII (1939-45)
- Independence from Great Britain is followed by partition of the subcontinents (1947)
- Cold War (1948-89)
- China invades and colonizes Tibet (1950)
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The Middle East and North Africa

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1950 Revolution, led by the National Liberation Front (FLN), meets French repression in Algeria.

1955 Iraq joins Pakistan, Iran, and Britain with the Baghdad Pact to counter the Soviet military threat.

1960's The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) is formed by the major oil exporters, excluding Canada and the USSR.

1979 Saddam Hussein succeeds in al-Bakr in ruling military government.

1990 Hussein invades Kuwait, triggering Gulf War.

1995 The assassination of President Yitzhak Rabin cripples the peace talks between Israel and Jordan.

1939-45 World War II in Europe; holocaust

1940's Development of penicillin and antibiotics

1941 Japan bombs Pearl Harbor; USA enters the war

1945 US airforce drops atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan; United Nations founded

1974 Watergate affair forces resignation of President Nixon

1991-95 Bosnian War

