

Heroic people and events, let's not forget!

Take a moment to reflect on the conflicts, triumphs, and world changing moments all of us have witnessed together in the past few years (2000-present). Your first task is to find a picture that represents a “powerful” and “memorable” moment to you. So, you’ll need to do a web search, try using “google images” to start. Make sure as you search that you are:

- Using a credible source, make sure the event in fact happened.
- Make sure you can copy the image to a word doc.
- Make sure you can copy and paste the URL (web address) with the picture to reference it.
- Ensure the event, animal, person or people are heroic, important or symbolize something large enough that you are able to explain the historical event in a paragraph later.

Here are a few events/topics that may help you get started:

- The world welcomes the new millennium. (2000)
- Steve jobs introduces the ipod. (2001)
- Bush’s reaction to a second plane strike. (2001)
- A young Afghan woman shows her face in public for the first time after 5 years of Taliban Sharia law. [2001]
- People gather water from a huge well in the village of Natwarghad in the western Indian state of Gujarat. More than 1 billion people still lack access to clean drinking water. (2003)
- SARS outbreak. (2003)
- People watch as the statue of Iraq's President Saddam Hussein falls in central Baghdad. (2003)
- The Columbia space shuttle breaks apart during re-entry. (2003)
- The waves of the 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami break apart as they hit the shores where 200,000 people died.
- Mark Zuckerberg and Dustin Moscovitz in 2004, after they had just launched FaceBook.
- The Christian world mourns the passing of Pope John Paul II. (2005)
- Mothers and their child eat at an emergency feeding centre in Tahoua, Niger. (2005)
- Isabelle Dinoire after receiving the world's first partial face transplant. (2005)
- The Cassini spacecraft takes a picture of Saturn from deep space. The tiny speck of light circled in red is Earth. (2006)
- Thousands gather to mourn after the Virginia Tech shooting. (2007)
- Michael Phelps celebrates after winning his 14th gold medal, setting the all-time record for most Olympic gold medals. (2008)
- Wall Street on the midst of the Global Financial Crisis. (2008)
- Barack Obama wins the 2008 election, becoming the first African American President.
- Four of the last seven Northern White Rhinos in the world are airlifted from a zoo in the Czech Republic to a park in Africa in an attempt to save their entire species. (2009)
- Vladimir Putin now Russian President (2009)
- Oil spill Gulf of Mexico Coast line. (2010)

- Chilean Miners trapper in mine for 21 days (2010)
- 17 US States, alongside 15 countries have legalized gay marriage. (2011)
- The Vancouver riots (2011)
- Hurricane Irene (2011)
- Rescue attempts in 2011 after Japanese Tsunami
- The Middle East sees snow for the first time in over 100 years. (2012)
- Pakistani Muslims form a human chain to protect Christians during Mass (2013)
- Dzhokar Tsarnaev, one of the brothers behind the Boston Marathon bombing. (2013)
- The world says goodbye to Nelson Mandela (2013)
- Kiev's Independence Square before or after revolution. (2014)
- Afghan women turn out to vote in the first democratic transfer of power the country has ever seen. (2014)
- Find a picture of your own that is of an important event

Assignment:

Once you have a picture copied and pasted onto a word doc, make sure to save your work and ensure your NAME and DATE are on the top.

Next, research the importance of this picture, person, event ... think about the following questions:

1. Who is this? (give details and the history behind it)
2. When did it happen, what was the lead up to the major event? (if there was one)
3. Who has this event impacted or affected?
4. What is or was the outcome?
5. Why is it important for the world to remember this?

Write a thorough paragraph that explains the photo and answers all of the questions above. Make sure to have proper paragraph structure:

- Topic sentence (who, what, where, when etc)
- Keep the language formal (third person, NOT "I choose this because...", but rather "this 2011 photo taken by Tanya Larkin in Nigeria portrays a women saving her baby from a fire after an earthquake.")
- At least 5 sentences that detail, outline and support the topic (see questions above).
- Concluding sentence (tie it all together).