Today in History Website: <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/today/today.html>

**Activity 1:  American Memory**

In *The Giver*, all of the past has been given to the Receiver of Memory so that no one will have to be "burdened" with the past.  However, every time a new situation comes up, the people do not know how to deal with it, since they have no past experiences to guide them.  Therefore, they have to go to the Receiver for advice.  We are more fortunate because we have a past, that is, ***history***.  That is what this activity will help you personalize.

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:**

Part One:
1.  Click on "American Memory."
2.  Click on Today in History (on the top right side of the screen).
3.  Read the article and fill in the first column on your data chart below.

Part Two:
1.  Click on "Yesterday."
2.  Read the article and fill in the second column in your data chart below.

Part Three:
1.  Click on "Archive."
2.  Select your birth month.
3.  Select your birth day.
4.  Click on "Go."
5.  Read the article and fill in the third column in your data chart below.

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