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People & Animals

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MAY 2007

May 2...	Full Moon
May 3...	National Day of Prayer
May 13...	Mother's Day
May 19...	Armed Forces Day
May 21...	Victoria Day (Canada)
May 27...	Pentecost
May 28...	Memorial Day (U.S.), observed

Other Interesting Dates

May 1... Christopher Columbus convinced Queen Isabella to fund expedition to the West Indies in 1486.

May 1... In 1931, the 102-story Empire State Building opened in New York City. A 3,000 man construction crew completed the building in one year and 45 days.

May 3... In 1968, the first successful heart transplant in the U.S. was performed by Dr. Denton Cooley.

May 7... In 1789, the first inaugural ball was held in New York in honor of President and Mrs. George Washington.

May 9... Mother's Day was first proclaimed by President Woodrow Wilson in 1914.

May 11... In 1858, Minnesota became the 32nd state of the Union.

May 14... In 1787, delegates began gathering in Philadelphia for a convention to draw up the U.S. Constitution.

May 14... In 1803, Lewis and Clark began their expedition.

May 15... In 1602, Bartholomew Gosnold, English navigator, discovered Cape Cod.

May 17... In 1967, the governor of Tennessee signed into law the repeal of the 1925 state law prohibiting the teaching of evolution.

May 21... The American Red Cross was founded in 1881.

May 29... In 1951, a patent for improved sulfonamide drugs was issued. Sulfa drugs are a group of synthetic antibacterial drugs; they were the first chemical substances systematically used to cure and prevent bacterial infections in humans. Antibiotics have largely replaced sulfa drugs, but they remain useful in the treatment of urinary tract infection and childhood ear infections.

This listing is designed to accompany the MS MR *People & Animals: United for Health®* interactive health and science calendar for elementary classrooms. For further information:

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Fixed Dates

May 1...	National Day of Prayer
May 1...	National Physical Education Day
May 1...	School Principals' Day
May 4...	Respect for Chickens Day
May 5...	Cinco de Mayo (Mexico)
May 5...	Children's Day (Japan, Korea)
May 6...	No Homework Day
May 8...	International Red Cross Day
May 10...	Peace Day
May 11...	International Migratory Bird Day
May 12...	National Teachers Day
May 12...	Native American Rights Day
May 16...	Bike-to-Work Day
May 18...	Visit Your Relatives Day
May 22...	International Biodiversity Day
May 25...	National Missing Children's Day
May 29...	Birthday of John F. Kennedy
May 31...	World NO TOBACCO Day

Weekly Observances

May 6-12...	Astronomy Week - Be Kind to Animals Week - Eat Dessert First Week - Historic Preservation Week
May 13-19...	National Family Week - National Pet Week - Teacher Appreciation Week
May 20-26...	Reading is Fun Week - Universal Family Week - National Etiquette Week - New Friends, Old Friends Week

Monthly Observances

American Bike Month
American Wetlands Month
Asian Pacific American Heritage Month
Better Hearing and Speech Month
Clean Air Month
Correct Posture Month
Get Caught Reading Month
Mental Health Month
Older Americans Month
Physical Fitness & Sports Month