

November events

WORKSHEET A

Here are some historical events that took place during the month of November.

1st November

- **1755:** An earthquake destroys many parts of Lisbon, the capital of Portugal, killing at least 50,000 people.

4th November

- **1922:** In Egypt, archaeologists discover the tomb of Tutankhamun, who was an Egyptian pharaoh (king) in the 14th century BC.

9th November

- **1989:** The government of East Germany allows citizens to travel to West Germany. In Berlin, people start to knock down the famous Berlin Wall.

11th November

- **1918:** The First World War ends. In four years of war more than 20 million people had died and 21 million had been wounded.

14th November

- **1922:** In Britain, the BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation) broadcasts its first daily radio programmes.

19th November

- **1969:** The great Brazilian footballer Pelé scores his 1,000th goal.

22nd November

- **1963:** President John F. Kennedy of the United States is assassinated in the city of Dallas, Texas.

23rd November

- **2005:** Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf becomes president of Liberia in western Africa. She is the first woman to lead an African nation.

28th November

- **1893:** In New Zealand, men and women vote in a general election. It is the first time women have voted in a national election anywhere in the world.

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WORKSHEET B

Exercise 1

Team A

Here are the answers to some questions about the text on Worksheet A. Work with your group and write the questions. When you have finished, Team B will have to answer them as part of a quiz.

1. It is in Egypt.
 2. He scored his 1,000th goal.
 3. It lasted four years.
 4. In New Zealand.
 5. It is in western Africa.
 6. 'BBC' stands for British Broadcasting Corporation.
 7. 21 million.
 8. In Dallas, Texas.
 9. The Berlin Wall.
 10. At least 50,000.
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Team B

Here are the answers to some questions about the text on Worksheet A. Work with your group and write the questions. When you have finished, Team A will have to answer them as part of a quiz.

1. John F. Kennedy.
2. The First World War.
3. Radio programmes.
4. There was an earthquake.
5. Archaeologists.
6. He is from Brazil.
7. West Germany.
8. They voted in a general election.
9. More than 20 million.
10. In the 14th century BC.

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WORKSHEET C

Exercise 2

Read the information based on the text on Worksheet A and fill in the gaps.

- The earthquake in Lisbon (1) **de _ _ ro _ _ _** many parts of the city.
- The great Brazilian (2) **f _ _ _ b _ _ ler** Pelé scored many (3) **g _ a _ s**.
- In 2005, Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf became the first woman to lead an (4) **A _ _ ic _ _** (5) **_ _ _ _ ion**.
- In 1893 in New Zealand, women (6) **_ ot _ _** in a national (7) **el _ _ _ _ _ n** for the first time.
- (8) **_ r _ _ aeolo _ _ sts** discovered the (9) **t _ m _** of Tutankhamun.
- On 9th November 1989, the (10) **g _ v _ _ nm _ n _** of East Germany (11) **all _ _ ed** citizens to travel to West Germany.
- More than (12) 20 **_ il _ _ on** people (13) **d _ e _** in the First World War.
- The BBC broadcast (14) **_ t _** first regular radio (15) **pr _ _ ram _ _ s** in 1922.
- Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf (16) **b _ c _ _ _** president of Liberia in 2005.
- People started to (17) **k _ _ _ k _ d _ _ n** the Berlin Wall on November 9th 1989.
- President John F. Kennedy was (18) **_ ss _ ss _ _ _ _ _** in Dallas, Texas, in 1963.
- Before 1893, women had not voted in a national election (19) **a _ y _ h _ _ e** in the (20) **_ o _ _ d**.