

Welcome to *TEKTOK*  
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*Kindness, a language deaf people can hear and blind see.*  
~Anonymous

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## Web Sites

### George Washington's Birthday February 22

The "Father of His Country", George Washington was born on February 22, 1732. He became commander in chief of the Continental Army in 1775, and fought a long and arduous war for freedom from British rule. The war was finally over in 1781, when the Continental Army with the help of the French, forced British General Cornwallis to surrender at Yorktown.

In 1787, Washington was unanimously elected president by the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia. He took the oath of office in 1789. He served two terms of office from 1789 until 1797.

After the presidency, Washington retired to his home in Mount Vernon, Virginia where he died on December 14, 1799 of a throat infection.

### [National Park Service: Young George Washington's Adventures](#)

Follow 21-year-old George Washington's adventures in 1753 as he delivered a message from the British Governor of Virginia to the French in a disputed area in the Ohio River Valley. Students choose the supplies and the people he takes for the journey. They learn about the Native Americans he encounters, his meeting with the French, and his dangerous journey back to Virginia. His journal of the trip was published, making him famous and expanding his opportunities in the military. Told in comic-book style with excellent illustrations.

<https://www.nps.gov/webrangers/activities/youngwashington/youngwashington.swf>

### [Go Social Studies Go: US History: George Washington](#)

A summary of George Washington's term as the first President of the newly formed United States. Presents two of his major accomplishments of his Presidency (the Jay Treaty and the establishment of the first Cabinet), and two major failures (the Whiskey Rebellion and not dealing with the slavery issue).

<http://www.goushistorygo.com/~!george-washington-1st-prez/c1nt9>

## [WGBH/PBS: The Presidents: Biography: 1. George Washington](#)

Find a brief biography highlighting the professional life of George Washington. Sections feature his domestic policy, foreign affairs, the era, and his presidential politics.

<http://www.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/arct14.soc.amexprewas/the-presidents-biography-1-george-washington/>

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## Hardware/Software

### YouTube Hack

In Safari, the Touch Bar lets you scrub through those annoying YouTube ads, even the usually non-skippable 30-second preview. (No doubt Google will 'fix' this).

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## Hints/Tips

### Spin 'em Around

Open Photos on your Touch Bar Mac and take a look at the available controls. Tap the Edit key and these change to provide crop, auto edit and other functions. The one you'll get the biggest initial kick out of will be the rotation tool in the center, swipe this to get the image you need.

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## Riddles You Can Tell in Class

*Why is an island like the letter T?*

Answer: Because it is in the middle of water.

*Why is the letter R important to friendship?*

Answer: Because without it, friends would be fiends.

*What is the difference between here and there?*

Answer: The letter T.

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## This Day in History

***Birthdates which occurred on February 23:***

1929 Elston Howard Yankee catcher (1st black New York Yankee/1963 AL MVP)

1930 Johnny Seven New York NY, actor (Ironsides, Amy Prentiss)

1937 Tom Osborne college football coach

1940 Peter Fonda actor (Easy Rider, Lilith, Wild Angels, Trip)

1943 Fred Biletnikoff NFL wide receiver (Oakland Raiders)  
1951 Ed "Too Tall" Jones NFL linebacker (Dallas Cowboys)  
1963 Bobby Bonilla New York NY, outfielder (New York Mets, Baltimore Orioles, Marlins)

### ***On This Day:***

0303 Emperor Diocletian orders general persecution of Christians  
1455 Johannes Gutenberg prints 1st book, the Bible (estimated date)  
1822 Boston is incorporated as a city  
1836 Alamo besieged by Santa Anna; entire garrison eventually killed  
1861 By popular referendum, Texas becomes 7th state to secede from US  
1870 Mississippi is re-admitted to US  
1886 Aluminum manufacturing process developed  
1896 Tootsie Roll introduced by Leo Hirshfield  
1903 Cuban state of Guantanamo leased to USA  
1904 Control of Panamá Canal Zone acquired by US for \$10 million  
1905 Rotary Club International established by 4 men in Chicago  
1917 February revolution begins in Russia  
1919 Benito Mussolini founds the Fascist party of Italy  
1927 President Coolidge creates Federal Radio Commission (FCC predecessor)  
1934 Casey Stengel becomes manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers  
1940 Walt Disney's animated movie "Pinocchio", released  
1943 General-Major Bradley arrives in Dakar & Marrakesh  
1945 US Marines raise flag on Iwo Jima, famous photo & statue  
1960 Demolition begins on Brooklyn's Ebbets Field (opened in 1913)  
1967 25th amendment (Presidential succession) declared ratified  
1968 Wilt Chamberlain becomes 1st NBAer to score 25,000 points  
1978 20th Grammy Awards Hotel California, Fleetwood Mac, Debbie Boone win  
1979 Frank Peterson Jr named 1st black general in Marine Corps  
1991 US insists Iraq publicly announce it is leaving Kuwait by 12 PM EST  
1998 Supreme Court lets Megan's Law stand

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