

## MONDAY 5/22

The mastermind behind Sherlock Holmes, **Sir Arthur Conan Doyle was born today in 1859**. While studying at the University of Edinburgh, Doyle encountered Dr. Joseph Bell, a brilliant professor whose deductive skills inspired the famous detective. In 1887, Doyle penned his initial Holmes story, eventually crafting four novels and 58 tales featuring the beloved sleuth. **TUESDAY 5/23** 

The **New York Public Library**, the biggest marble structure ever built in the United States, was dedicated today in 1911 in New York City. The massive building cost \$9 million and took 14 years to build. The library's doors were opened to the public the day after it was dedicated, and some 40,000 people came through to use the collection of more than a million books.

## WEDNESDAY 5/24

The origins of **scavenger hunts** are uncertain, but they are thought to stem from traditional folk games. In the 1930s, Elsa Maxwell, an influential American author and radio personality, played a significant role in popularizing them. Known as the "hostess with the mostest," Maxwell hosted lavish parties that often included citywide scavenger hunts with riddles or clues. **THURSDAY 5/25** 

On May 25, 1935, at Forbes Field in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, **Babe Ruth achieved a monumental feat by hitting his 714th home run**. This remarkable record stood unchallenged for over 40 years. During this game, which was also one of his final appearances, Ruth's performance was flawless, going four-forfour with three awe-inspiring home runs and six runs batted in. **FRIDAY 5/26** 

Today in 1951, **Sally Ride**, a pioneer in American space exploration, was born. On June 18, 1983, she made history as the first American woman to go to outer space. Riding aboard the Challenger shuttle, her groundbreaking mission lasted six days, a major milestone for women in space.

## ... And the Latest from Ambassador

We are at NRB this week! While there are still a few people at the office, most of our team is connecting with station and ministry partners in Orlando.

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- Sherlock Holmes was the first fictional sleuth to use a **magnifying glass**.
- The New York Public Library used 530,000 cubic feet of marble, including exterior marble that is **12 inches thick**.
- No U.S. president has ever died in the month of May. In every other month of the year, at least one U.S. president has died.
- Babe Ruth never wore the Yankees' famous interlocking NY logo during a game. It didn't become a permanent part of the Yankees' jerseys until 1936, two years after Ruth left the team.
- NASA began looking for women astronauts in 1977. Sally Ride was a student at the time. She saw an ad in the school newspaper inviting women to apply to the astronaut program. Sally Ride was one of six women picked!

"Guilt sucks the life out of our souls. Grace restores it." Max Lucado UpWords