

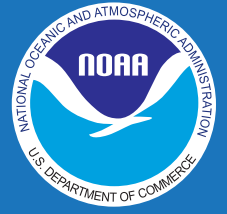
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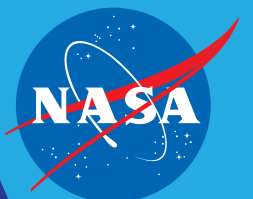
In spring 2011, weeks of heavy rain causes the Mississippi River to overflow its levees and flood many communities along its banks.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
		National Teachers' Day		1999: Oklahoma City, OK, measures the fastest wind in a tornado of 318 mph, 1 mph short of an F6 classification.		
6	1840: The Great Natchez Tornado, one of the most deadly in U.S. history, leaves the town of Natchez, MS, in ruins and kills 317 people.	7	8	9	10	11
					1953: A deadly tornado hits Waco, TX, burying some streets in up to 5 feet of bricks; 114 are killed and 597 injured.	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Mother's Day				1974: Launch of SMS-1, the first geosynchronous weather satellite, monitoring weather from a fixed location above Earth's surface.		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	1896: Temperature at Salton, CA, hits 124°F, the hottest ever recorded in the U.S. during May.	2011: Devastating tornado rips through Joplin, MO, destroying one-third of the town, killing more than 125.		2006: GOES-13 launched. It provides improved accuracy for forecasting locations of severe storms such as tornadoes and hurricanes.		1917: A tornado in southeast Kansas breaks the record for tornado speed over land, traveling at 65 mph.
27	28	29	30	31		
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