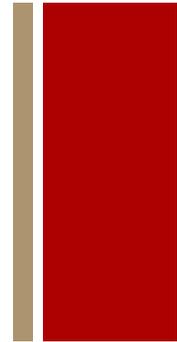


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- Sometimes it is hard to imagine a world that was different to today, especially when you haven't lived for all that long
- After hearing a fact in a Year 11 Geography lesson this week, and the change to the penalty for mobile phone usage while in the driving seat of a car, I wondered what has changed over the years that we might find it hard to believe
- Here are some facts and laws that might make you draw breath

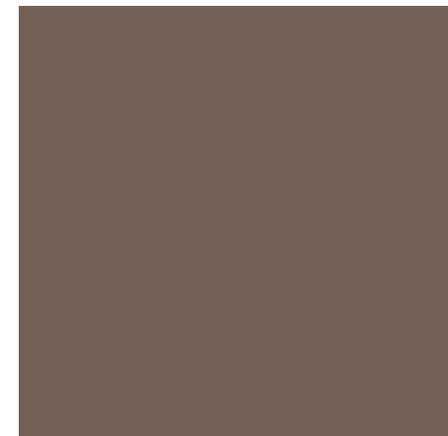
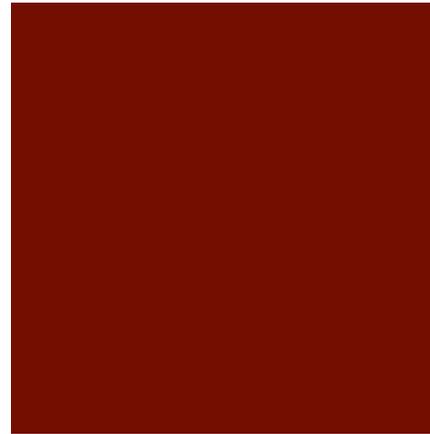
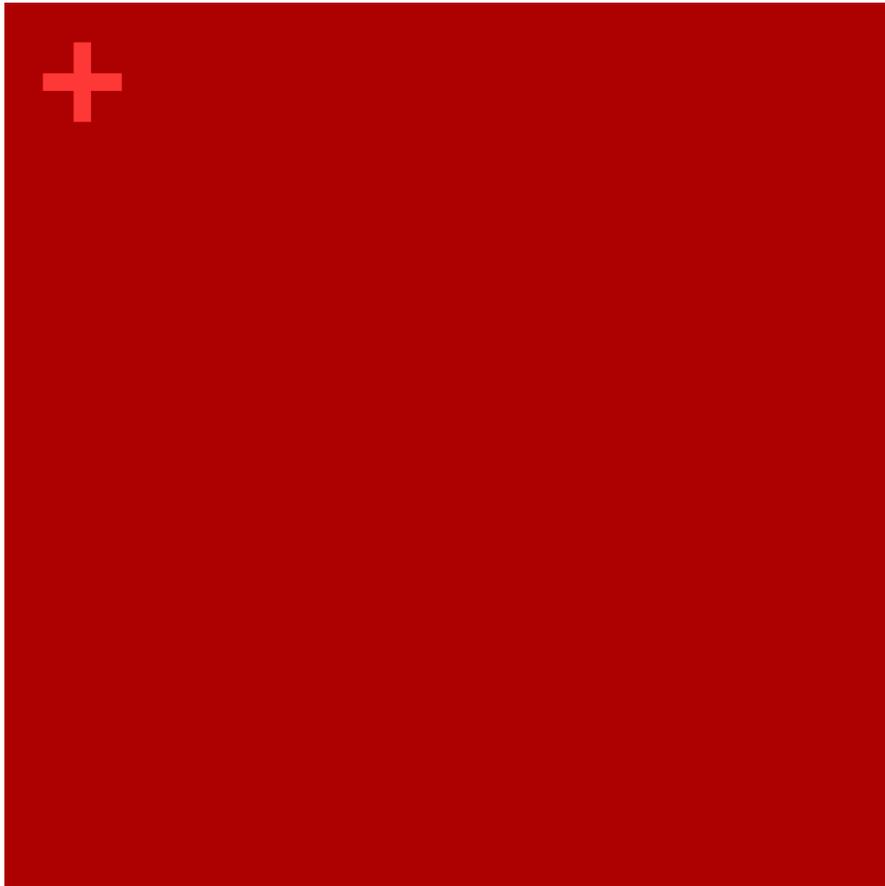


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- 1880 Education become compulsory for all children up to the age of 10
- 1965 Race Relations Act outlawed discrimination on the “grounds of colour, race or ethnic or national origins” in public places.
- 1967 Sexual Offences Act decriminalised homosexual acts between gay men
- 1970 The Equal Pay act made it illegal to pay a woman less than a man for the same work
- 1972 The school leaving age was raised to 16 (from 15)
- 1983 It became a legal requirement to wear a seatbelt in the front of a car
- 1986 The Sex Discrimination (Amendment) Act enables women to retire at the same age as men
- 1986 Corporal punishment became illegal in state-funded schools (it did become illegal in private schools until 1998 and not until 2000 in Scotland and 2003 in Northern Ireland)

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- 1989 It became a legal requirement to wear a seatbelt under the age of 14 in the rear seats of a car
- 2003 It becomes illegal to use a phone while behind the wheel of a car
- 2005 The Civil Partnership Act allows civil partnership registration of same-sex couples
- 2010 Equality Act outlaws discrimination in access to education, public services, private goods and services or premises in addition to employment
- 2013 The Raising of the school leaving age stated that young people must now stay in education, apprenticeships or training until the age of 18
- 2017 The punishment for using a mobile phone behind the wheel of a car become an immediate £500 fine and 6 points on your driving licence (12 and you are banned from driving)



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