Timeline 1800 – 2000

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1800 – Act of the Union with Ireland
1805 – Nelson defeats Spanish Armada at Trafalgar
1807 – Abolition of Slave Trade
1815 – Wellington defeats Napoleon at Waterloo
1829 – Sir Robert Peel starts Metropolitan Police
1834 – The Poor Law sets up workhouses
1837 – Victoria I becomes Queen
1842 – Mines Act ends child labour
1845 – 49 Great potato famine in Ireland
1851 – The Great Exhibition
1856 – Britain defeats Russia in Crimean War
1863 – London Underground opens
1868 – Last public hanging in Britain
1876 – Alexander Bell invents telephone
1883 – First electric railway
1888 – Jack the Ripper murders six women in East London
1901 – Edward VII becomes King
1902 - Britain defeats Dutch settlers in Boer War in South Africa
1910 – George V becomes King
1914 – 1918 World War I
1920 – Republic of Ireland becomes independent
1936 – George VI becomes King
1939 – 1945 World War II
1952 – Elizabeth II becomes Queen
1973 – Britain joins European Community
1979 – Margaret Thatcher becomes first woman PM
1982 – Falklands War
1991 – Gulf War
1994 – Channel tunnel links Britain to France

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