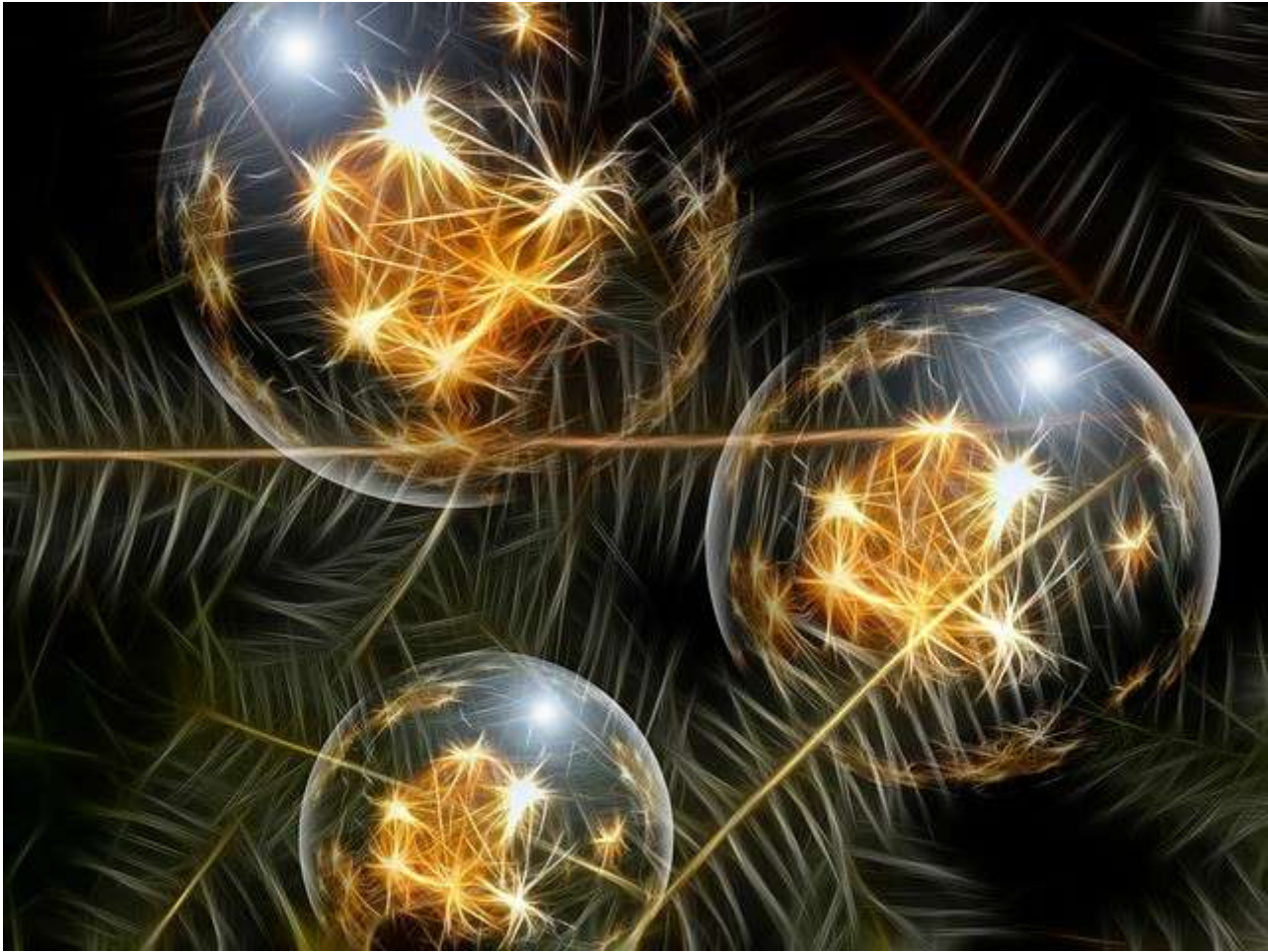


Who Else Was Born Today?

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We all know the Great JC was born on December 25, even though he didn't exist, but who in the real world was born today? Quite a lot of people! If you walk down a moderately busy high street, the chances are you will pass at least one person who was born on Christmas Day. With that in mind, here are a select few.



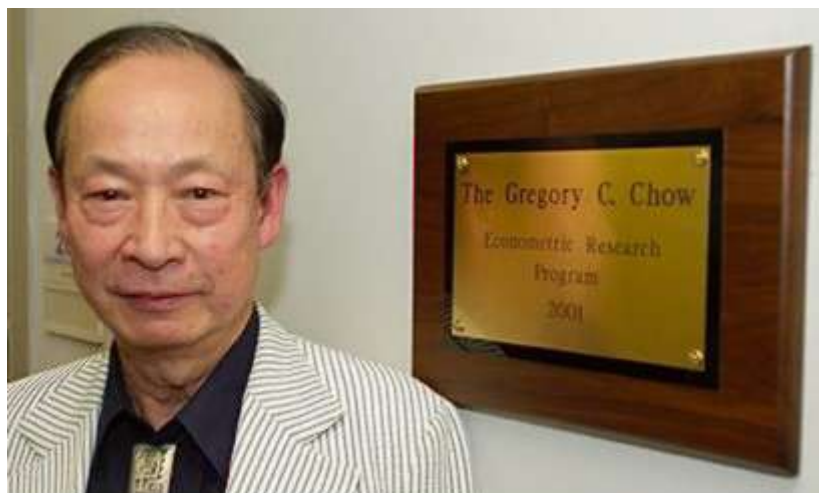
Sir Isaac Newton

The greatest scientist of his own or indeed any age was born at Grantham on Christmas Day, 1642. The achievements of Sir Isaac Newton are unparalleled. He formulated the laws of motion and the law of gravitation. He is said famously to have arrived at this latter after an apple hit him on the head while he was sitting in an orchard. Newton also dabbled in optics and made the first practical reflecting telescope. He died at the fairly advanced age of 84, sadly without issue.



Anwar el Sadat

Anwar Sadat was born December 25, 1918. As Prime Minister of Egypt he did much to end what seems to be the eternal and ever increasing conflict in the Middle East, burying the hatchet with the Zionist entity and even meeting the Pope. His reward came in October 1981 when he was assassinated by domestic enemies who felt he had gone too far.



Gregory Chow

Gregory Chow was born in China on Christmas Day 1930 but emigrated to the United States as a young man. A noted economist, he is the father of the Chow test; unless you have at least a Bachelor's in Mathematics, don't even bother asking what that is. At 84, he is a professor emeritus.



Ann Lennox

Singer-songwriter **Ann Lennox** was born in 1954. She has been performing solo since 1992, having previously performed with The Tourists and then **Eurythmics**. Some of her music is an acquired taste but there is nothing offensive about it.



Dido

Another female singer-songwriter who was born on Christmas Day – in 1971 – is **Dido**, or to give the lady her full name, Dido Florian Cloud de Bouneville O'Malley Armstrong. She hasn't been very active of late but she has made her mark on music, even if she never writes another song.

Finally, the youngest person on our list is the fictional David Platt. Doubtless there is a real David Platt or two somewhere, but none quite like this teen psychopath turned hairdresser from the UK's **longest running soap**. Don't be too surprised if in the not too distant future the body buried under his floorboards turns up, especially if one of the other leading soaps forges ahead in the ratings.

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