

1916 Photo Album

What did America look like the year Ezra was born?

TELEPHONES

The world was getting smaller, with the first transcontinental phone call in January 1915 and the first transatlantic transmission in October.



Surprising news in a public telephone booth



Classic "candlestick" telephone—no keypad!

CARS

Ford Motor Co. introduced the moving assembly line in 1913, which revolutionized all manufacturing. The Ford Model T dominated the auto industry for 20 years.



1915 Ford Model T Roadster



Thomas A. Edison with his 1916 electric car

AIRPLANES

With World War I under way, technology had to evolve fast. By 1916, only 13 years after the Wright brothers' first, 12-second flight, airplanes had become fast, agile fighters.



The Wright brother's first flight, 1903



A British monoplane in action

CONEY ISLAND

Famously called a state of mind, Coney Island, in Brooklyn, New York, has been a beach resort and a world-famous symbol of summer fun since the mid-19th century.



Nathan's outdoor refreshment stand opened in 1916 and became a famous hot-dog landmark



On location, the silent-film comedy "Coney Island," starring Buster Keaton



Stylish beachgoers in bathing outfits

CHILDREN

While their clothes might be a little old-fashioned, children of the past look remarkably like us.



Boys beating the summer heat



A girl enjoying an ice cream cone



Chinese-American schoolgirls in Chicago



Young boy of the Maricopa people, Arizona

Look around you...what else might be 100 years old?



This house in California looks comfortably modern but was built in 1910.



The Woolworth Building, erected in 1913 in New York City, was the tallest "skyscraper" in the world until 1930.



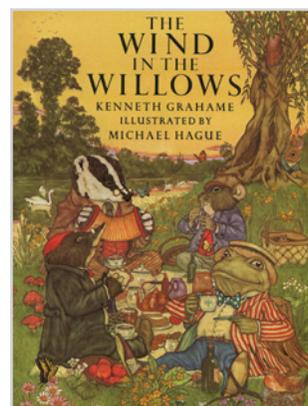
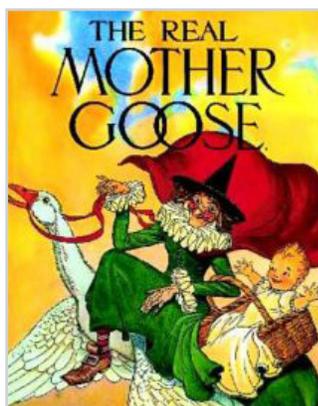
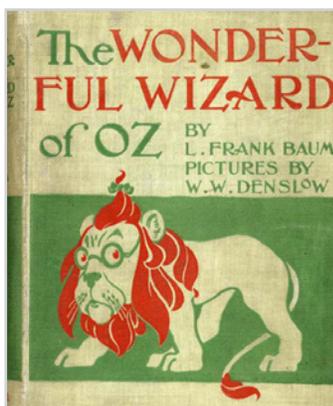
Blossoming cherry trees are a rite of spring in Washington, D.C. They were a gift from the people of Japan in 1912.



Wilbert, a 100-year-old giant tortoise, snacks on watermelon. Tortoises can live almost 200 years!



The redesigned, 100-year-old Chuck Taylor All Star, from Converse, is back on the basketball court.



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