

# 1940



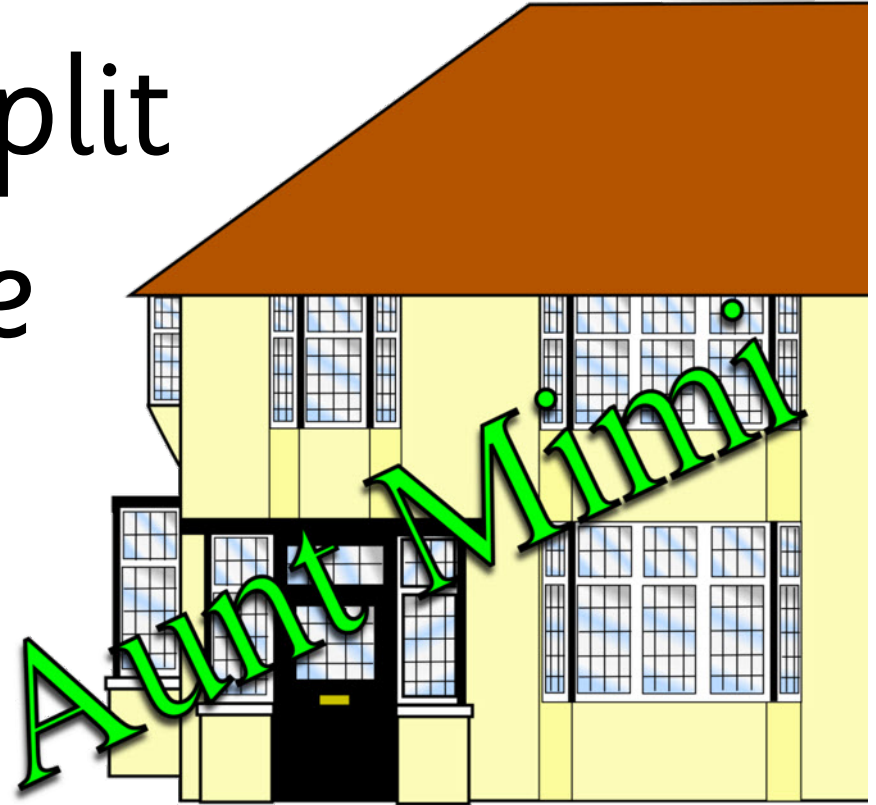
9th October

John Lennon is born at Oxford Street Maternity Hospital in Liverpool.

# 1945

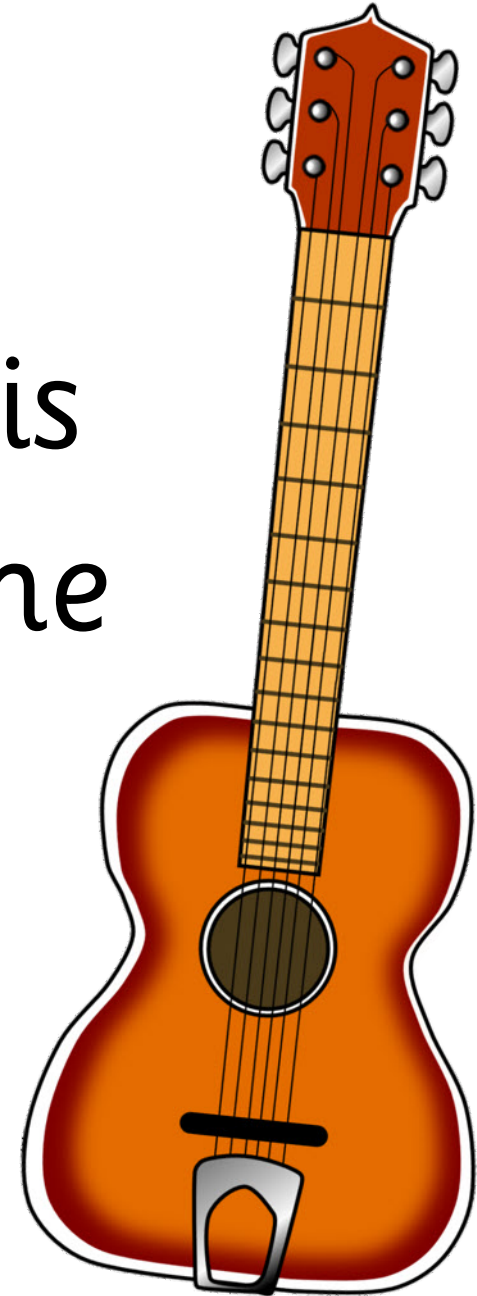
MUM  
DAD

Lennon's parents split  
and he goes to live  
with his aunt.



# 1956

Aunt Mimi buys John his first guitar. He forms the group 'Quarrymen'.

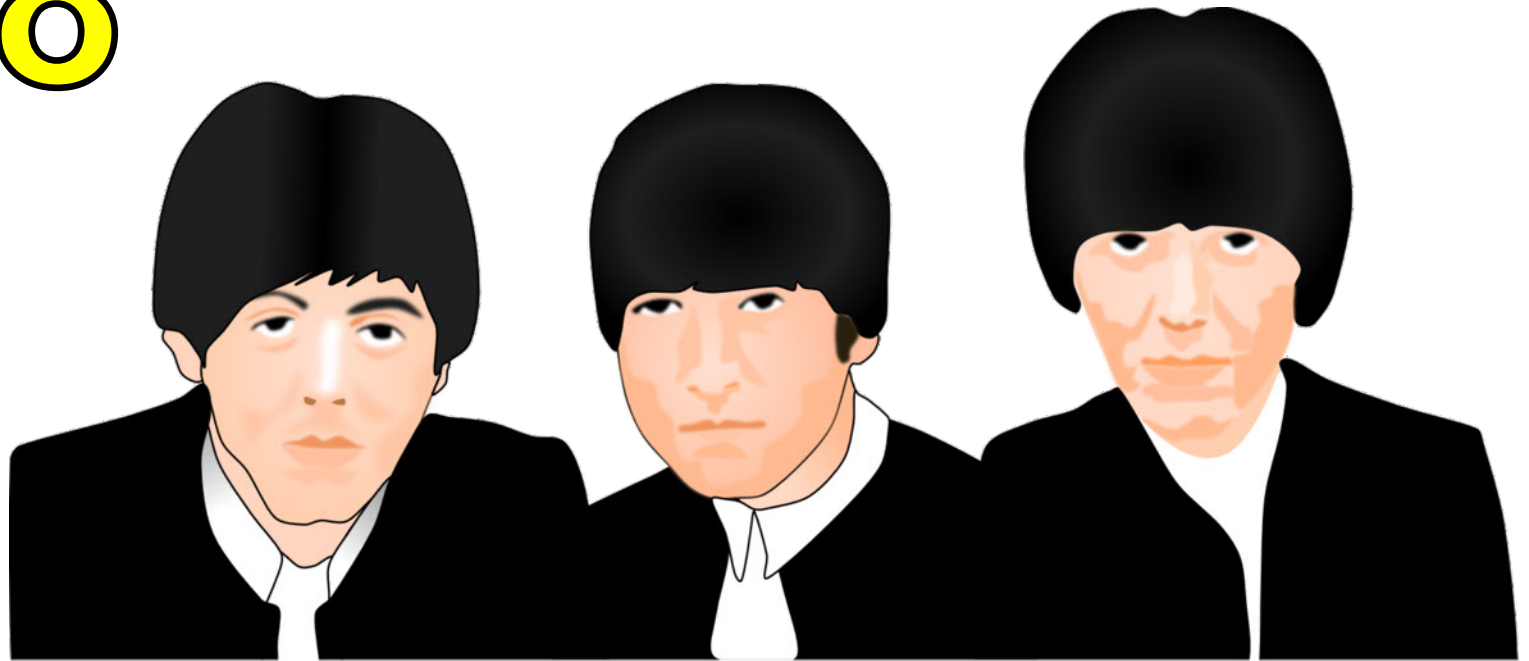


# 1957



John meets Paul McCartney at a Quarrymen gig at Woolton Parish Church. John asks Paul to join the group.

# 1958



George Harrison joins the  
Quarrymen.

# 1960



## 1st August

The Beatles make their first performance in Hamburg, West Germany. Stu Sutcliffe on bass and Pete Best on drums.

# 1961



Brian Epstein signs a contract to become The Beatles' manager.

# 1962

10th April

Stu Sutcliffe dies suddenly of a brain haemorrhage.



STUART SUTCLIFFE

23RD JUNE 1940-10TH APRIL 1962



# 1962



1st June  
The group signs  
with Parlophone/EMI Records.

# 1962



Drummer Pete Best is replaced by  
Richard 'Ringo' Starkey.

# 1962



23rd August

John Lennon marries

Cynthia Powell.

# 1963



8th April

Julian Lennon is born at  
Sefton General Hospital  
in Liverpool.

# 1964



6th July

The world premiere of  
A Hard Day's Night  
takes place in London.

# 1965



**HELP!**

1st January

John composes 'Help!', the title song for the Beatles' second film.

# 1965



26th October

John, with the other Beatles,  
is awarded an MBE.

1966

Strawberry Fields Forever



Lennon writes 'Strawberry Fields Forever'.



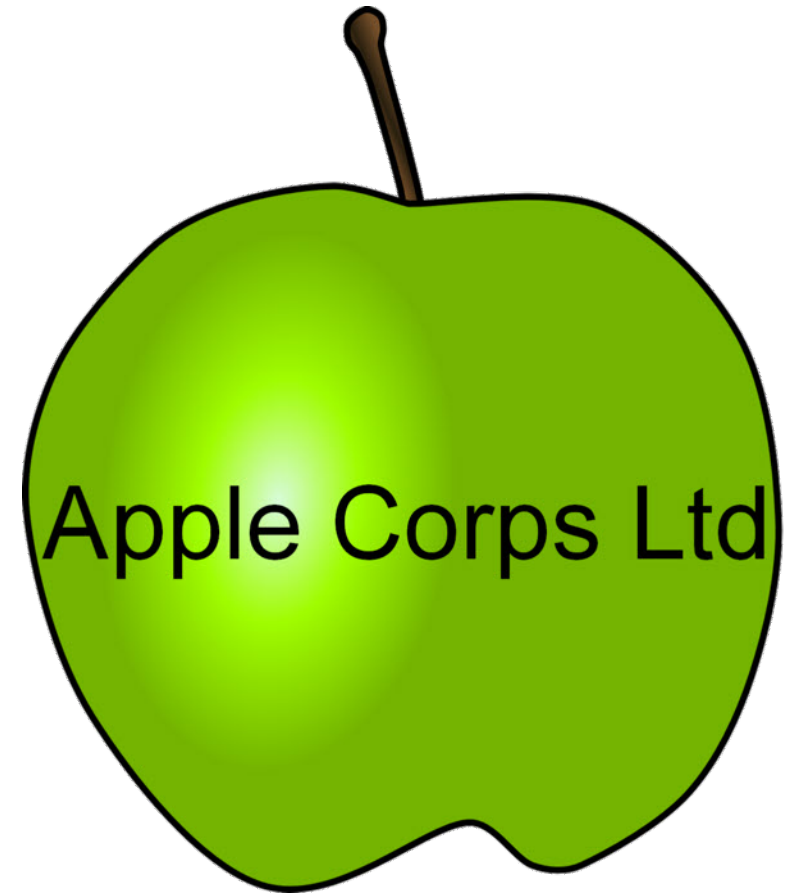
# 1966



9th November

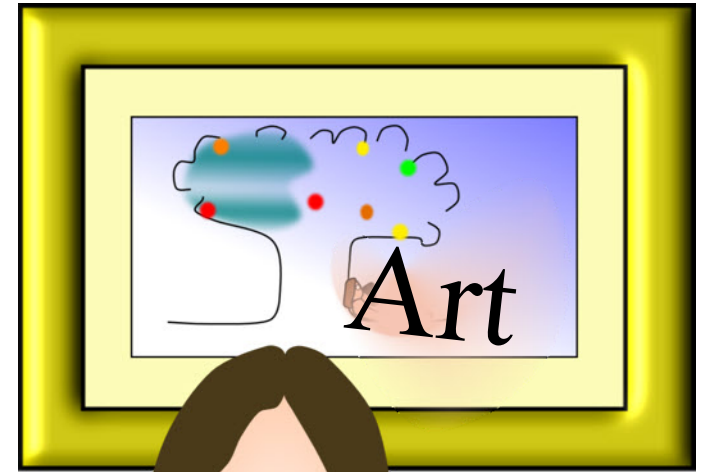
Yoko Ono and John Lennon meet  
at a preview of her art show  
in London.

# 1968



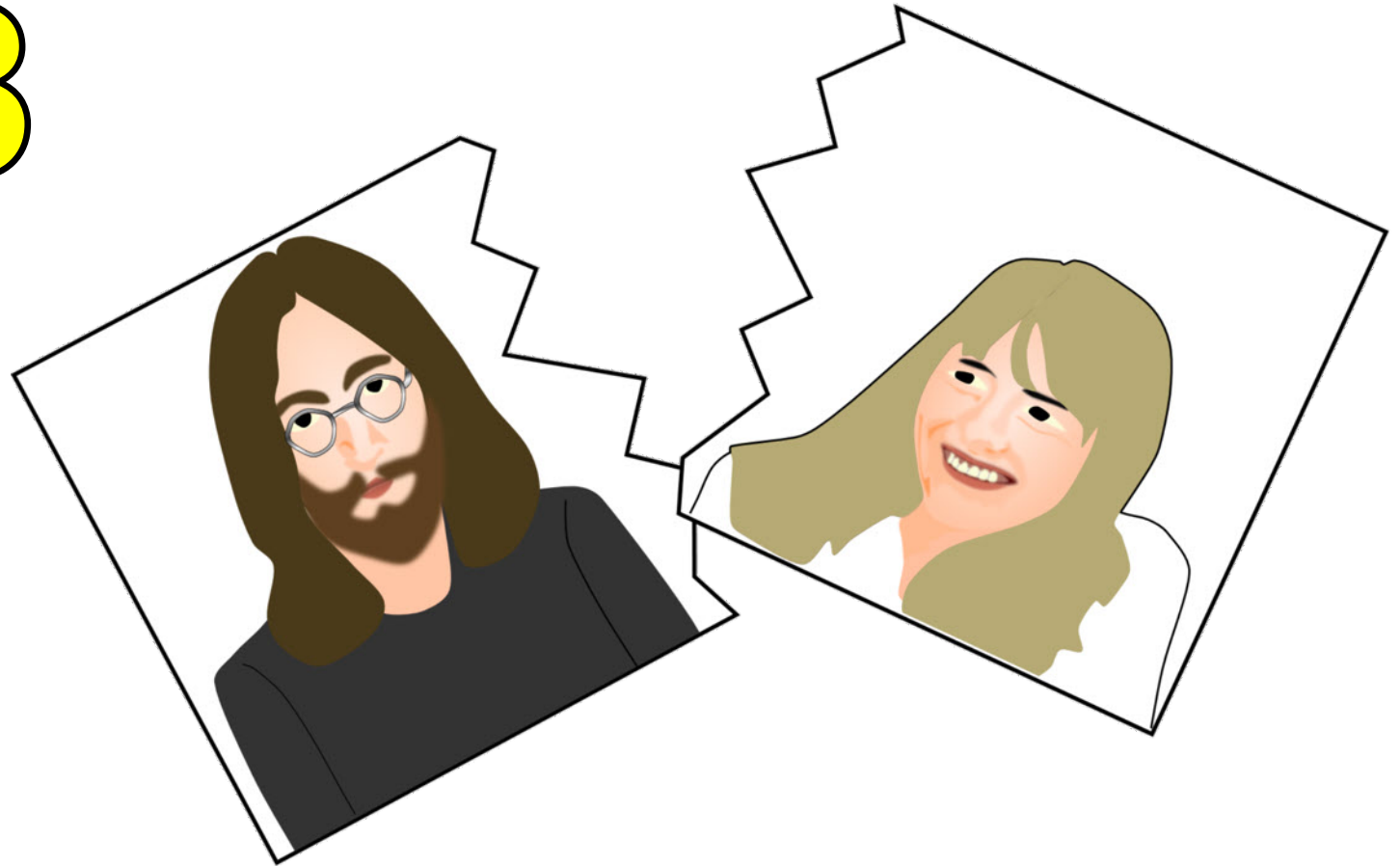
1st May  
Apple Corps Ltd begins operating  
in London.

# 1968



John and Yoko show their first joint art exhibition in London.

# 1968



8th November

John and Cynthia divorce.

# 1969

30th January  
The Beatles make  
their last performance  
on the roof of the Apple building.



# 1969



20th March

John and Yoko marry in  
Gibraltar.

# 1969



## 1st September

John returns his MBE in protest  
at the Government's support in  
the Vietnam War.

# 1971

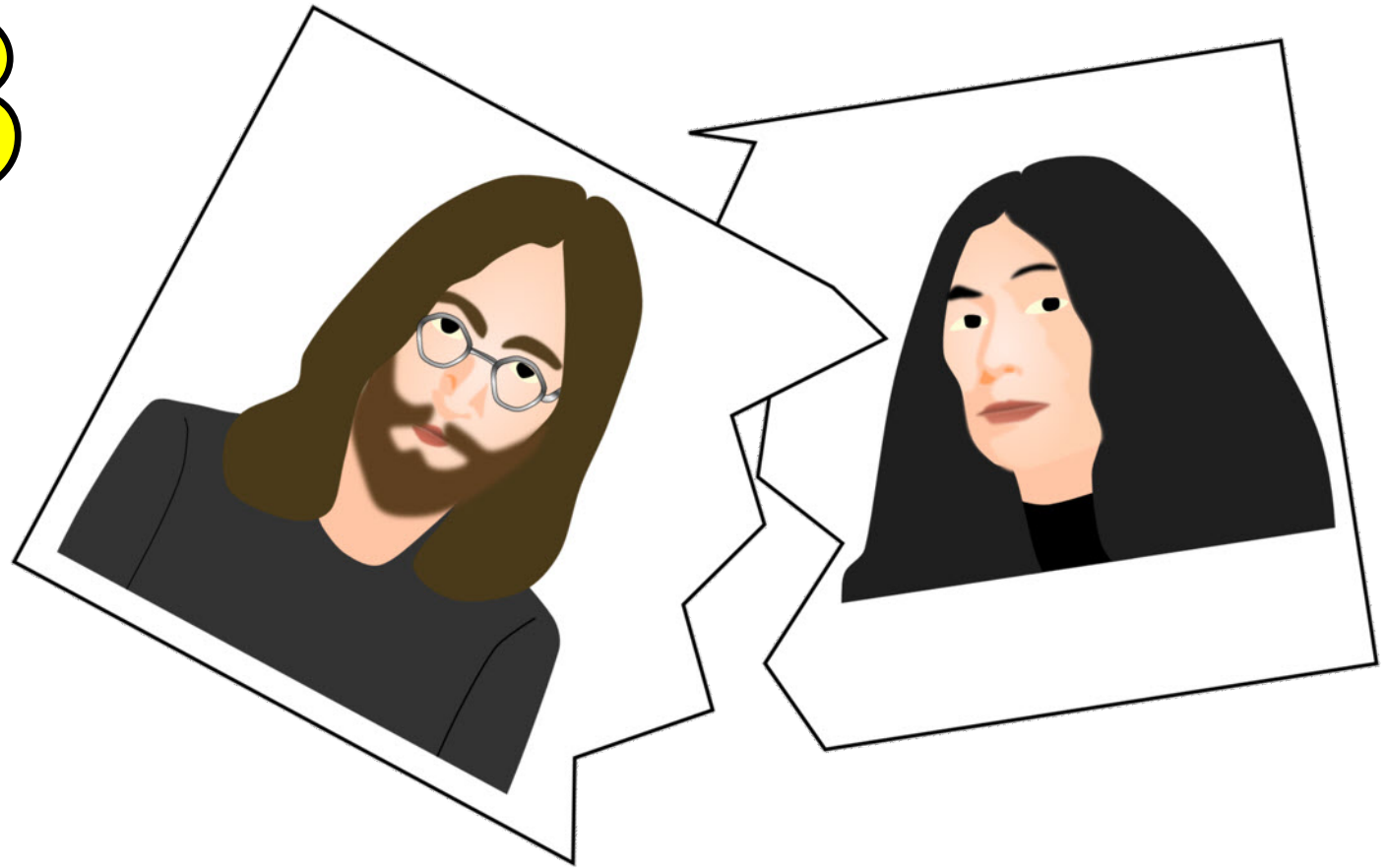


1st July

John records 'Imagine'  
at his home studio in Tittenhurst.



# 1973



John and Yoko begin an  
18 month separation.

# 1974

28th November

Lennon's makes his  
final concert appearance with  
Elton John at Madison Square  
Garden.

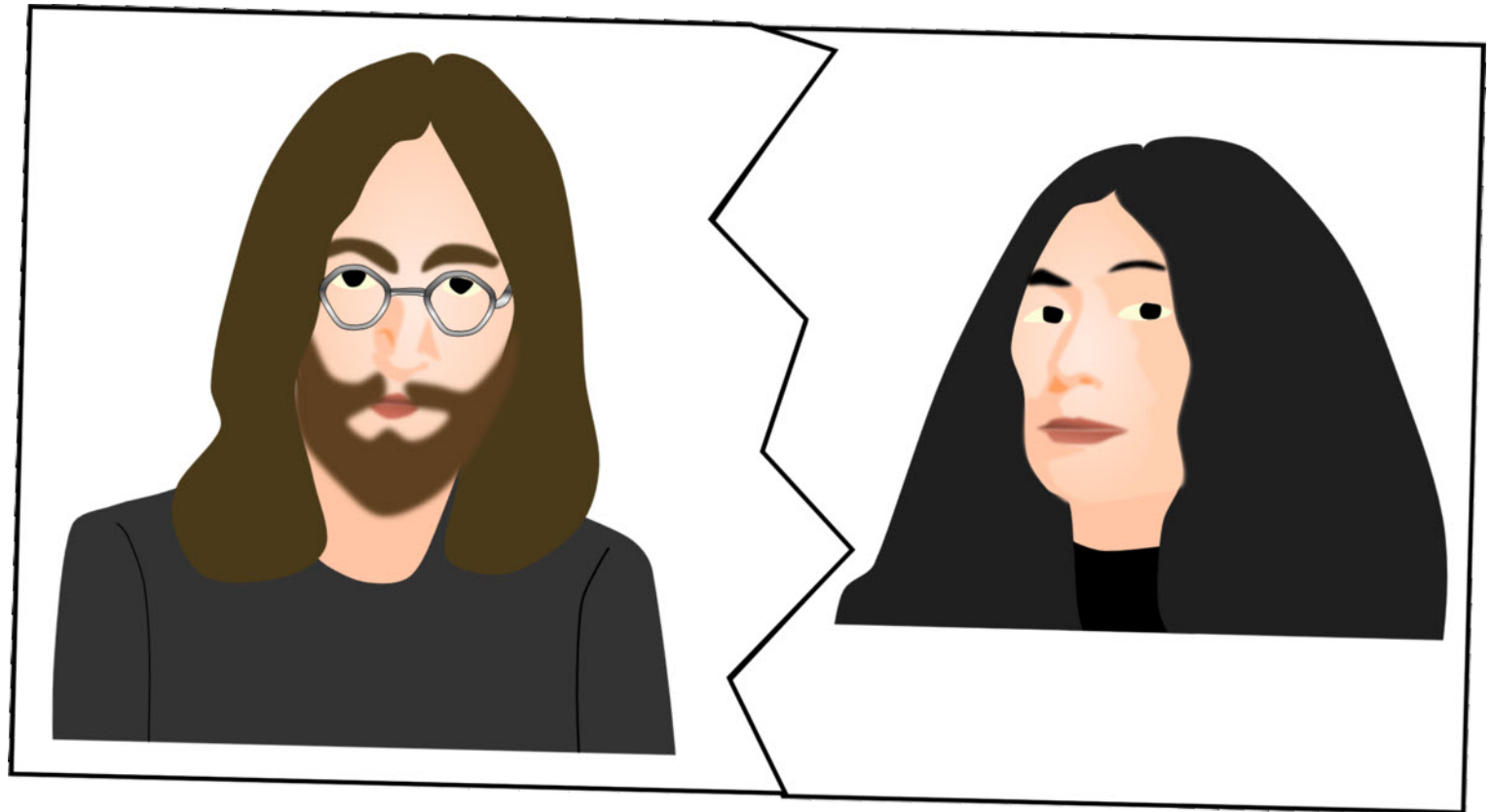


# 1975



2nd January  
The final dissolution  
of The Beatles.

# 1975



John and Yoko are reunited.

# 1975



9th October

Sean Taro Ono Lennon is born at  
New York Hospital.

# 1976

## 26th July

After a long battle, Lennon's application to be a permanent US resident is finally approved at a special hearing.



# 1980

JUST LIKE  
STARTING  
OVER



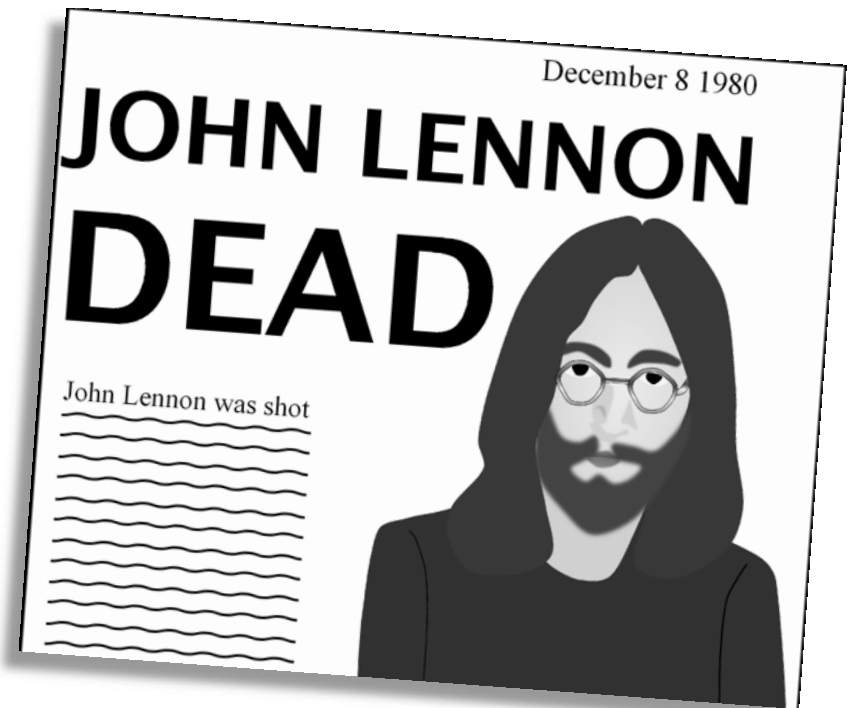
23rd October

John Lennon's first  
new single 'Just Like Starting  
Over' is released.

# 1980

## 8th December

John Lennon is shot dead as he and Yoko return to Dakota after a recording session.





# 1980



21st December

The single 'Just Like Starting Over' becomes a huge hit.