

HILLCAT HISTORY CORNER!

JFK Assassination



BY CYRIL - GRADE 7

What Happened?!

Historical Account - November 22nd, 1963



November 22, 1963, 12:30 pm. President John F. Kennedy, in an open top car, is strolling down the streets of Dallas. He is riding with his wife, Jaquiline, the governor of Texas John Connally, and his wife Nellie. The four are riding in a motorcade when a shot rang out from the 6th floor of the Texas School Book Depository Building. In the next moment JFK is on the brink of death, shot in the head and neck. He slumps onto his wife as the Governor of Texas is shot in the back. JFK will be dead in 30 minutes.

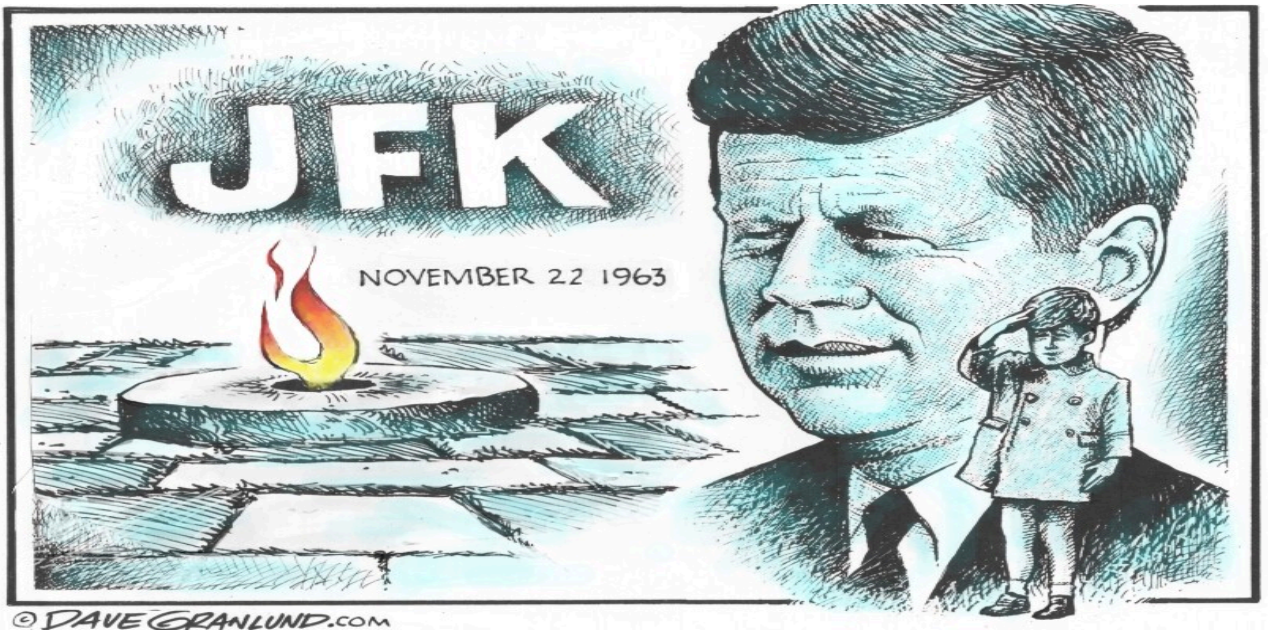
JFK was going to Dallas for a political campaign. The 1964 elections were coming up and he wanted to win his second term in office. The days before JFK went to Dallas him and his crew went to San Antonio, Houston, and then Fort Worth. They were all warmly welcomed with open arms on their trip. They stayed at Fort Worth for the night and planned to head to Dallas in the morning. At 11:15 am he had left Fort Worth on a plane towards Dallas. By 11:40 he was in Dallas and by 11:55 he was on the motorcade on his way to Dealey Plaza.

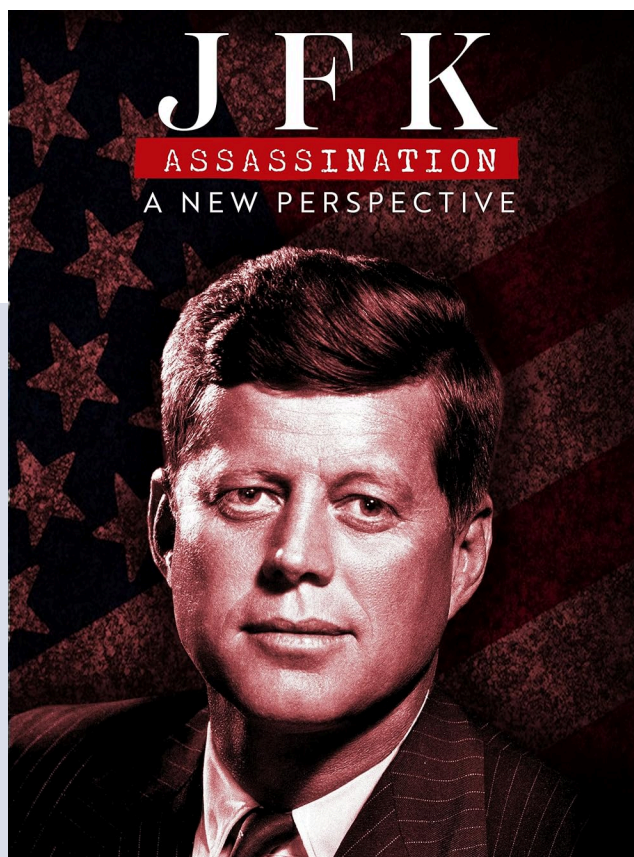




The motorcade entered Dealey Plaza at 12:30 pm. Early a man named Lee Harvey Osland, former USM (United States Marine), sets up upon the Texas School Book Depository. JFK is riding down when a flash and a bang are heard and seen in the ground as Kennedy slumps over. Utter panic insured. The Lincoln Continental accelerated up as a member of the secret service jumped onto it to help the Kennedys. The crowd doesn't know where the shots come from, or how many men are shooting. They start flooding out, screams, cries and wails are all heard as the plaza is abandoned. John. F Kennedy is rushed over to the Parkland Memorial Hospital. The doctors pronounce him dead.

The nation is in shock...





Sources Used:

JOURNALISM AT ITS BEST

1. John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum. (2024, November 7). November 22, 1963: Death of the President | JFK Library. [Jfklibrary.org](https://www.jfklibrary.org/learn/about-jfk/jfk-in-history/november-22-1963-death-of-the-president); JFK Library. <https://www.jfklibrary.org/learn/about-jfk/jfk-in-history/november-22-1963-death-of-the-president>
2. FBI. (2013, November 22). The JFK Assassination: Former Agent Recalls Role in the Investigation. Federal Bureau of Investigation. <https://www.fbi.gov/news/stories/the-jfk-assassination-former-agent-recalls-his-role-in-the-investigation>

