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- ⇒ **9:38am** : American Airlines flight 77, flying from Dulles Airport in Washington, D.C. to Los Angeles with 64 people on board, crashes into the Pentagon, in northern Virginia, and explodes into flames.
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- ⇒ **10:10am** : Damage from the plane crash causes part of the Pentagon to collapse. United Airlines flight 93 crashes to the ground in Somerset County, Pennsylvania, south east of Pittsburgh, heroically brought down by its own passengers after hearing about the attacks on the World Trade Center. Officials later speculate that the plane's hijackers had intended to attack the White House or the Capitol.
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