## Jokes, Quizzes, Trivia About U.S. Presidents

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February 15 is a holiday called Presidents' Day. On that day the post offices all around the United States will be closed. So will most schools and banks be closed.

We will honor the presidents of the United States, especially the two great leaders who had their birthday in February.

George Washington, our very first president, was born on February 22, 1732. He died in 1799. He is often called the father of our country. Mr. Washington did great things during his life. You learn about some of them at school.

Abraham Lincoln was the 16th United States president. His birthday was on February 12, 1809 and he died in 1865. Mr. Lincoln is remembered as a great leader who set free the slaves in this nation.

You see, a slave is a person who is owned by another person and must do everything that person says. Mr. Lincoln did not believe that slavery was the right way for human beings to be treated.

We just got a new president. He is the 42nd president of the United States of America. You already know his name.

Now put on your thinking cap and see how well you do with the following quizzes I've prepared about the presidents. Have fun, they won't be graded.

Ask your parents to join the fun.
I'm sure they won't know all of
the answers without looking them

I found some of the information in Mini Pages published by The Universal Press Syndicate in 1988, 1992 and 1993. Then I found a very old World Book Yearbook with torn and tattered pages that also gave me some information. But I made up the Knock-knock jokes.





#### DID YOU KNOW THIS ABOUT...

- PRESIDENT GEORGE WASHINGTON? He was the only president to have a state named after him, and, he was the only president who did not live in the White House.
- PRESIDENT JAMES MADISON? He was the shortest president. He was five feet, four inches tall and weighed 100 pounds.
- PRESIDENT WILLIAM TAFT? He was the biggest president and weighed more than 300 pounds.
- PRESIDENT ABRAHAM LINCOLN? He was the tallest president. He was six feet, four inches tall, weighed 180 pounds and he was the first president to wear a beard.
- PRESIDENT JOHN TYLER? He had more children than any other president. With his first wife, Tyler had eight kids and with his second wife, he had seven more.
- PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT? He had a toy named after him, a stuffed bear called "Teddy."
- PRESIDENT FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT? He was the only president elected for four terms. He was the first president to fly in an airplane while in office.
- THE WHITE HOUSE? It is 192 years old. It was designed by an Irish immigrant, but George Washington is the man who gave all the orders about how to build it. He wanted it to be a great, beautiful house that would stand for ages.

#### More Fun With U.S. Presidents

# What Do You Know About Occupations Of Presidents

Take this little quiz and circle your choice. Check your answers below.

1. Zachary Taylor, Ulysses S. Grant and Dwight D. Eisenhower all had the same occupation. Kennedy

(A) teacher (B) minister (C) soldier (D) engineer

- 2. Ronald Reagan had this unusual occupation. Name it.
  - (A) photographer (B) deep-sea diver (C) model (D) movie star
- 3. Jimmy Carter helps needy families by doing this work.
- (A) driving tractor (B) building houses (C) collecting food (D) sponsoring walk-a-thons
- 4. More U.S. Presidents have held this occupation than any other. Can you guess what it is? Reagan who?

  (A) farmer (B) teacher (C) lawyer (D) policeman

  Reagan your to
- 5. President Bill Clinton is the current leader of the United States. What did he do before becoming president?
  - (A) Governor of Arkansas (B) astronaut (C) airline pilot (D) television star

ANSWERS: 1. (C) 2. (D) 3. (B) 4. (C) 5. (A)

### Knock-Knock Jokes

Who's there?
Jackson
Jackson who?
Jackson der the weather today.

- 3. Knock knock
  Who's there?
  Monroe
  Monroe who?
  Monroe a little faster, please.
- 5. Knock knock Who's there?
  Roosevelt Roosevelt who?
  Roosevelt very sick today.
- 7. Knock knock
  Who's there?
  Nixon
  Nixon who?
  Nixon one team, Bill's on the other.
- 2. Knock knock
  Who's there?
  Polk
  Polk who?
  Polk me again will ya'!
- 4. Knock knock
  Who's there?
  Arthur
  Arthur who?
  Annur anymore questions
- 6. Knock knock
  Who's there?

  1. Kennedy
  Kennedy who?
  Kennedy it again, please?
- 8. Knock knock
  Who's there?
  Reagan
  Reagan who?
  Reagan your balance before you fall.

#### Match The Money To the Name Of The President



MATCH THE KINDS OF MONEY WE USE WITH THE NAME OF THE U.S. PRESIDENT WHOSE FACE IS ON IT BY DRAWING A LINE (careful now, some are used more than once)

COIN/CURRENCY

penny (1¢)
nickel (5¢)
dime (10¢)
quarter (25¢)
half-dollar (50¢)
one-dollar bill (\$1)
five-dollar bill (\$5)
twenty-dollar bill (\$20)
fifty-dollar bill (\$50)

Roosevelt
Washington
Lincoln
Grant
Lincoln
Kennedy
Washington
Washington

**PRESIDENT** 

Jackson

(check your answers at bottom of the page)

ANSWERS: Washington, 5¢, 25¢, \$1; Lincoln, 1¢, \$5; Grant, \$50; Kennedy, 50¢; Jackson, \$20; Rooseveilt, 10¢