

# Presidents' Day Trivia Quiz

Presidents' Day was originally set aside to observe the February birthdays of George Washington and Abe Lincoln. How much do you know about these two presidents? Put a "G" next to the statements that are true about George Washington. Put an "A" next to the statements that are true about Abe Lincoln.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. At one time he seriously thought of becoming a blacksmith.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. He had long hair that he tied back with a ribbon.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. A little girl told him that he would look much better if he grew a beard.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. He inherited a plantation with slaves, but he freed them all in his will.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. His height was 6' 3" which was quite tall for a man at that time.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. He was the tallest President ever at 6' 4".
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. He was a good wrestler.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. He was an excellent horseback rider.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. His face is on pennies and five-dollar bills.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. His face is on quarters and one-dollar bills.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. He was born on February 22, 1732.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. He was born on February 12, 1809.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. His favorite subject was mathematics.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. He practiced his arithmetic by writing numbers on a fireplace shovel.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15. The Julian calendar, precursor to the Gregorian calendar, was in use at the time he was born.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 16. Louis Braille, Charles Darwin, Edgar Allen Poe, Felix Mendelssohn, and Alfred Lord Tennyson were born in the same year he was.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 17. The first transcontinental telegraph line was completed in the same year his presidency began.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 18. Mozart, Haydn, and Beethoven were composing music in Europe when he was President.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 19. He warned against political parties, believing they would destroy the unity of the nation.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 20. He had a habit of carrying important papers in his hat.



Answers: 1=A, 2=G, 3=A, 4=G, 5=G, 6=A, 7=A, 8=G, 9=A, 10=G, 11=G, 12=A, 13=G, 14=A, 15=G, 16=A, 17=A, 18=G, 19=G, 20=A