

U.S. Presidents

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1st President George Washington

1789-1797

- One of the founding Fathers of the United States.
- Was a natural leader who defeated the British Empire
- His face in on the \$1 bill and the quarter.
- Only president to be elected unanimously.



2nd President John Adams

1791-1801

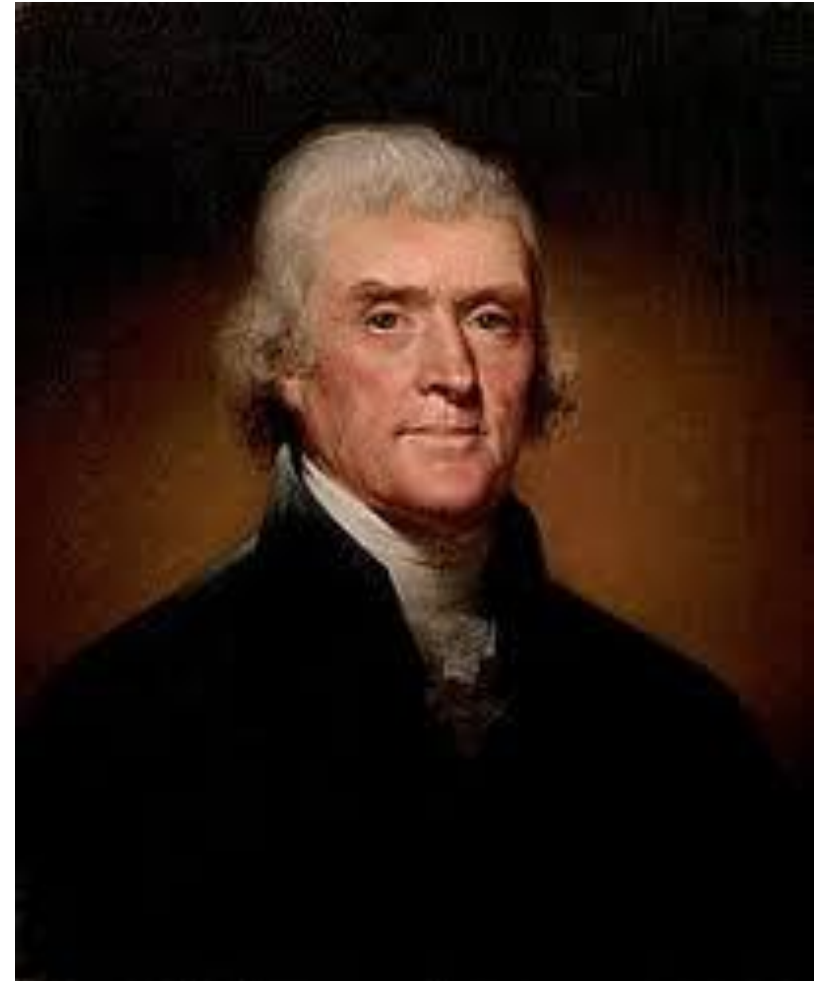
- Helped Jefferson draft the Declaration on Independence.
- Wrote the Massachusetts state constitution.
- Died on the same day as Jefferson (fourth of July, 1826)
- First President to live in White House.
- Only president to have a vice president from the opposing party.



3rd President Thomas Jefferson

1801-1809

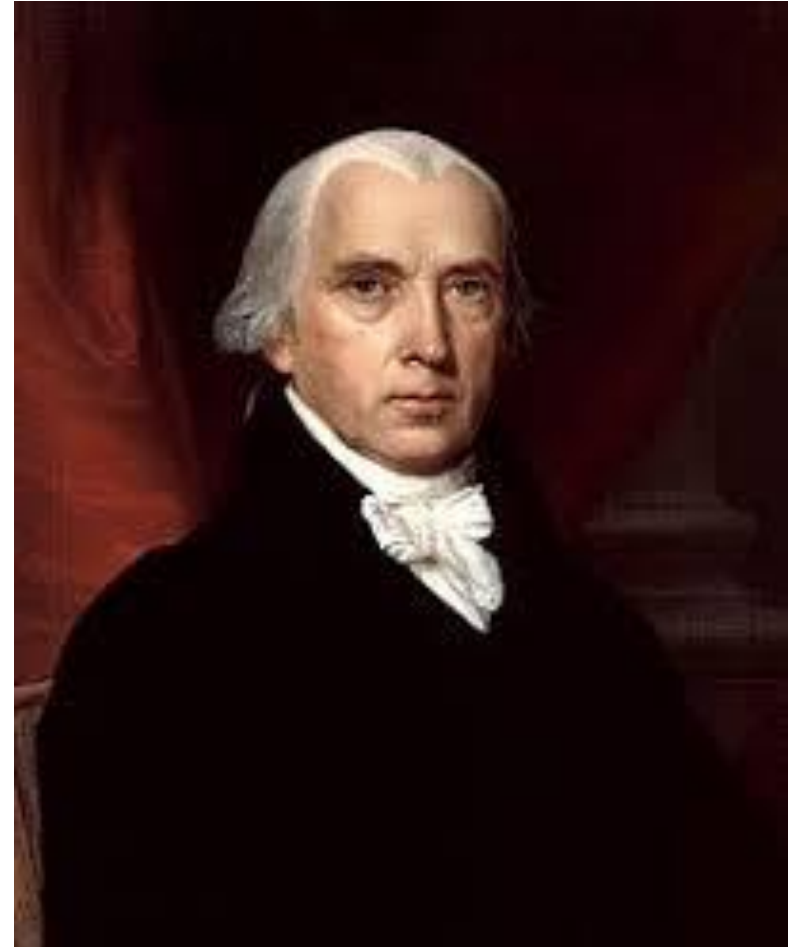
- Was a philosopher who wrote the Declaration of Independence.
- Founding Father who also founded the University at Virginia
- His face is on the \$2 bill and the nickel.
- First president to serve as secretary of state, vice president, and president.



4th President James Madison

1809-1817

- Credited as the father of the Constitution.
- He was the shortest president (5ft., 4 in.).
- Madison's face appeared on the \$5,000 bill.
- The last president to have been one of the 39 who signed the U.S. Constitution.



5th President James Menroe

1817-1825

- Democratic-Republican and last founding Father to hold office.
- He won all but 3 of the 19 states when elected.
- First president to ride on a steamboat.
- An the last president to die on the Fourth of July.



6th President John Quincy Adams

1825-1829

- Was a foreign minister to the Netherlands, Portugal, and Russia
- Penned with a mighty 50-volume diary from 1779 to 1848.
- The only ex-president to serve in the House of Representatives.
- The first president to be photographed after presidency in 1843.



7th President Andrew Jackson

1829-1837

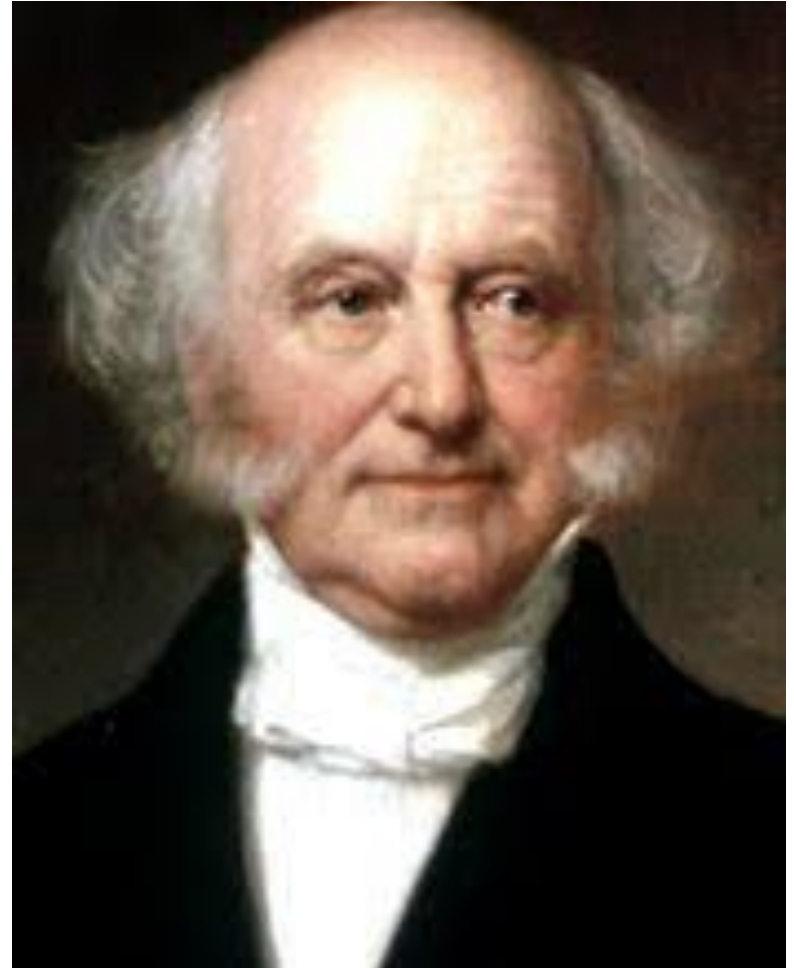
- Skull-cracking hothead and hero of the War of 1812
- He helped eliminate the national debt in 1835.
- Old Hickory is his nick name and he was depicted on the \$20 bill.



8th President Martin Van Buren

1837-1841

- One of the founders of the Democratic Party.
- This one-term president was “Martin Van Ruin” to his enemies.
- He had steamed heating installed into the White House.



9th President William Henry Harrison

1841

- First president from the Whig Party.
- Battle-hardened, plainspoken gent with ten children.
- Lost the race for presidency to Van Buren in 1836.
- First president to die in office.
- Last president to be born before the Declaration of Independence.



10th President John Tyler

1841-1845

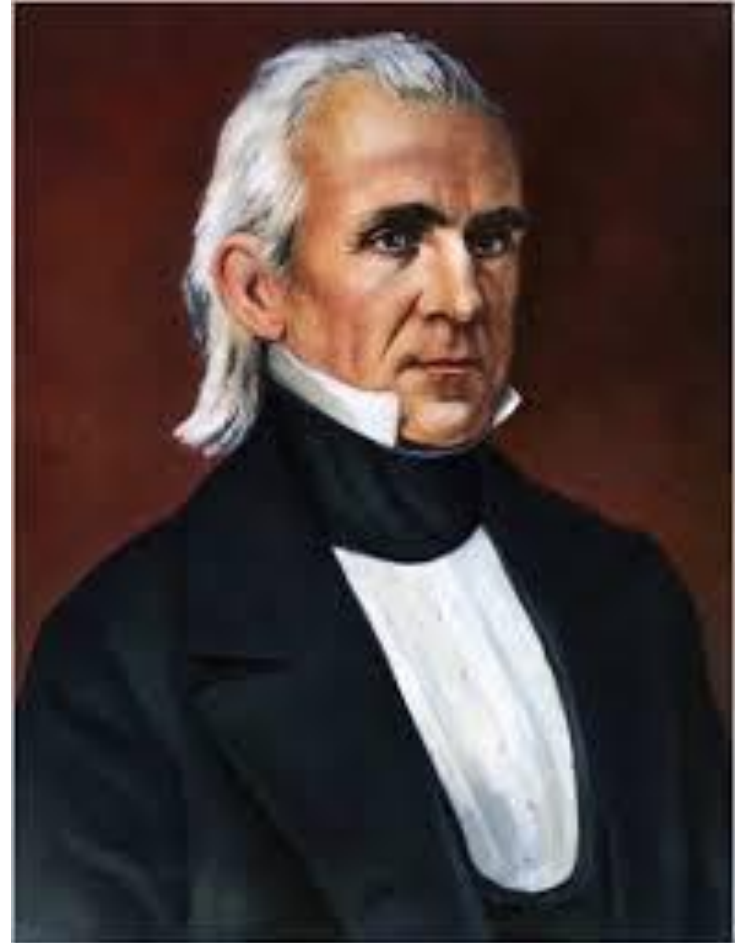
- Vice president at the time of Harrison's death.
- Brought Florida into the Union and "annexed" Texas.
- Had 15 children more than any other president.
- First to not give an inaugural address.



11th President James K. Polk

1845-1849

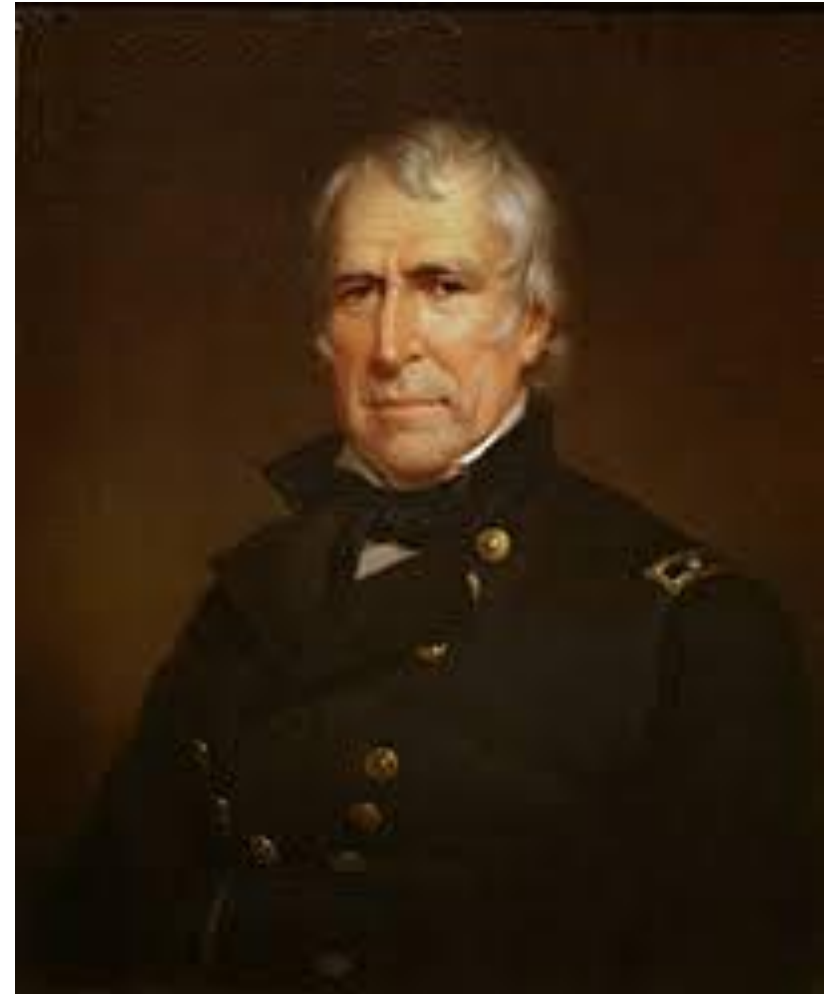
- At 49, years of age he became president the youngest to date.
- Known as “young hickory” thanks to Andrew Jackson’s support.
- Increased the size of the United States by 50%.
- First president to have his nomination reported by telegraph.



12th President Zachary Taylor

1849-1850

- A Whig president who'd been a tough military campaigner.
- He was known as "Old Rough and Ready" he wouldn't compromise.
- Taylor was the second president to die in office.
- Last president to own slaves while in office.



13th President Milard Fillmore

1850-1853

- Stalwart and staid, this Whig tried to please everyone.
- Was the second man to take office following a president's death.
- Laid the groundwork for trade agreements with Japan.
- This president installed a cooking stove at the White House during his term.



14th President Franklin Pierce

1853-1857

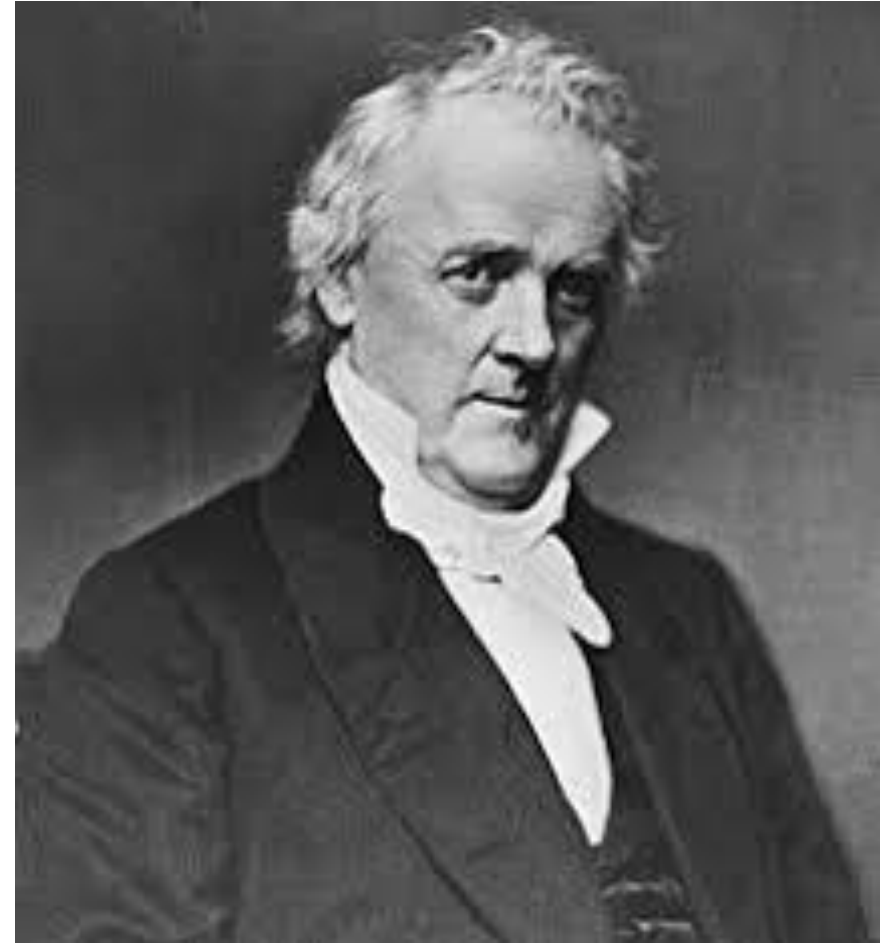
- Known as “doughface” he was a Northerner with Southern sympathies.
- Delivered his inaugural speech from memory.
- He steered the country toward civil war.
- First president to employ a full-time bodyguard.



15th President James Buchanan

1857-1861

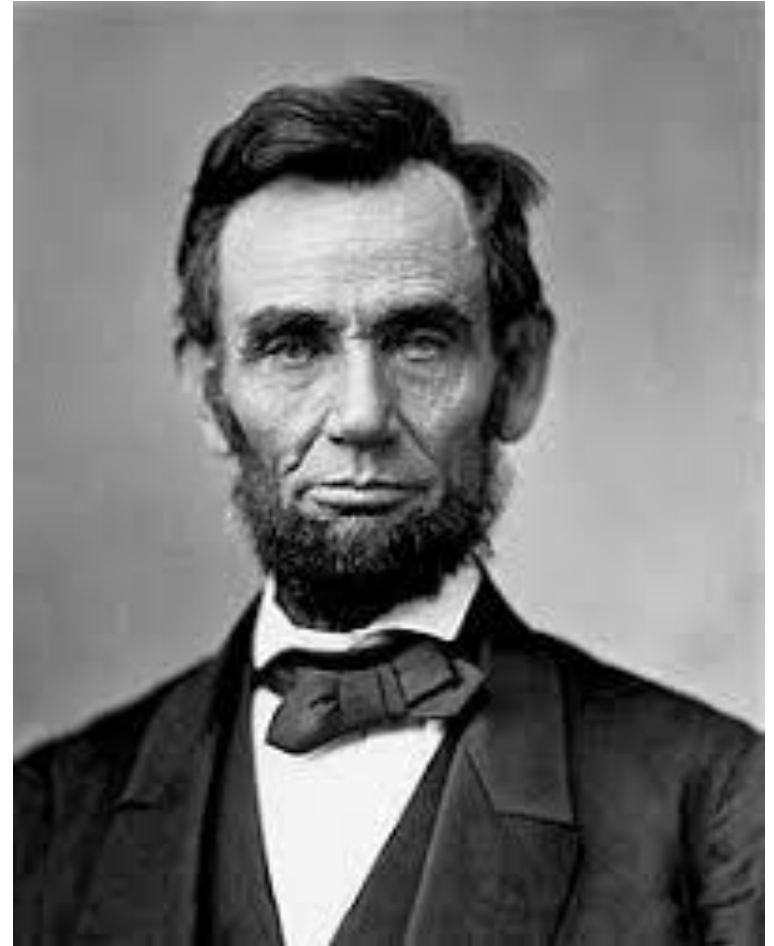
- This doughface Democrat was widely seen as a failure.
- "Old Buck" didn't prepare for war or try to prevent it.
- He pledged not to seek a second term in office from the start.
- First president to have states secede from the Union.



16th President Abraham Lincoln

1861-1865

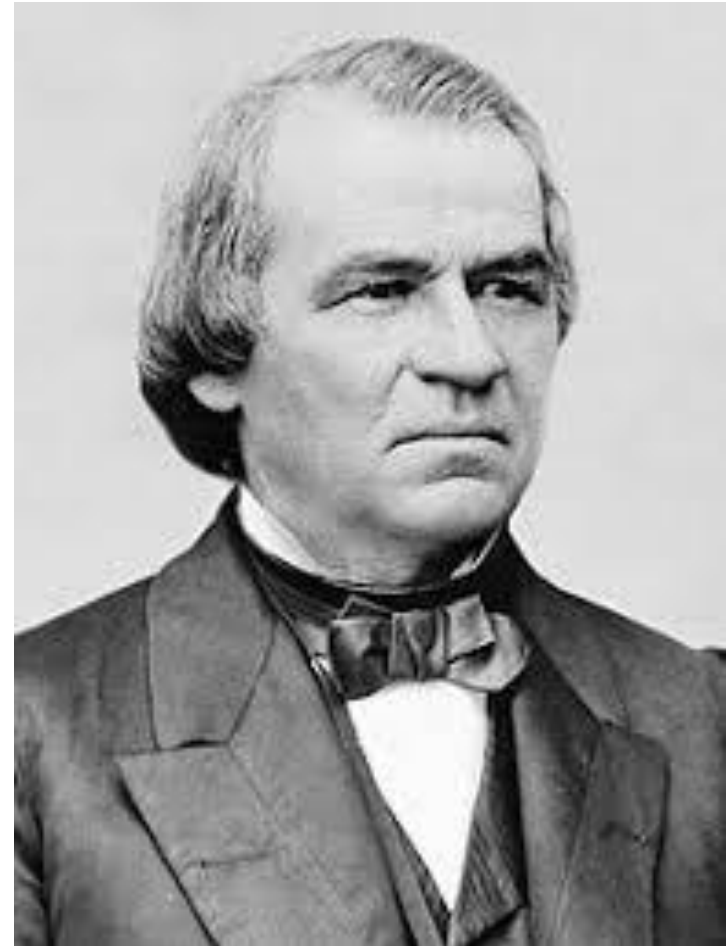
- Kept the United States as one nation with liberty for all.
- Known as “Honest Abe” was assassinated by John Wilkes Booth in 1865.
- This Republican appears on the \$5 bill and the penny.
- First president to appear on the minted coin.



17th President Andrew Johnson

1865-1869

- Was a gritty democrat and first president of the Reconstruction Era.
- He was one of the few presidents without a formal education.
- The only Southern senator not to resign during the Civil War.
- First president not to have a legal or military career.



18th President Ulysses S. Grant

1869-1877

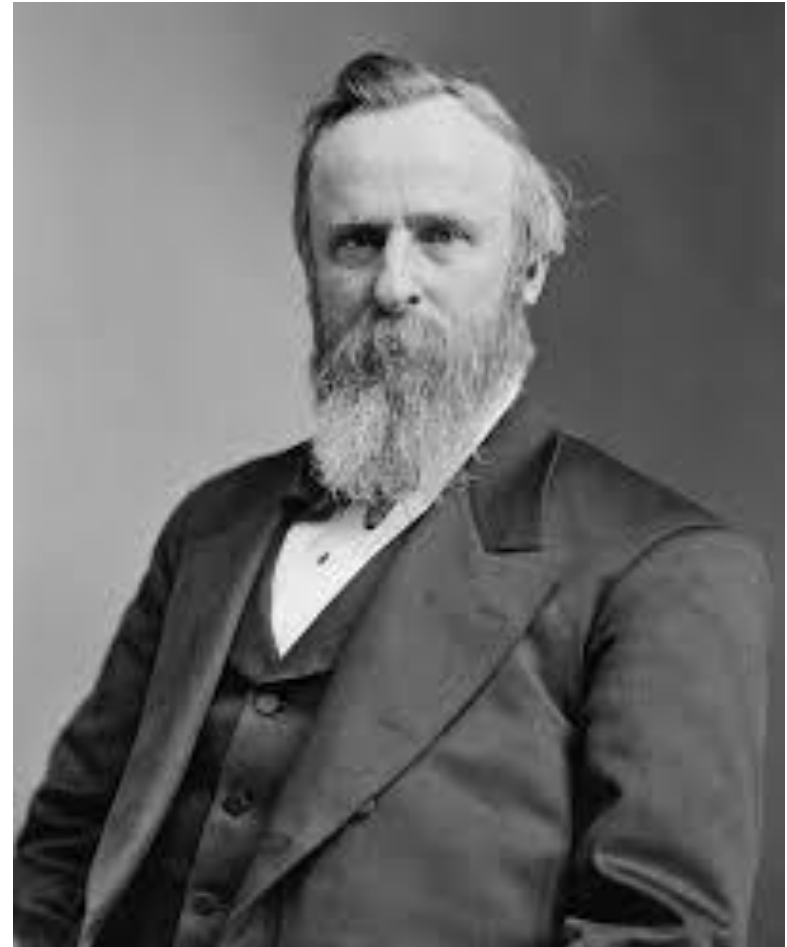
- Known as the no-nonsense Republican president.
- Was the Blockbuster Union General during the Civil War.
- His presidency saw African Americans given the right to vote.
- Was the last president of the 19th century to serve two consecutive terms.



19th President Rutherford B. Hayes

1877-1881

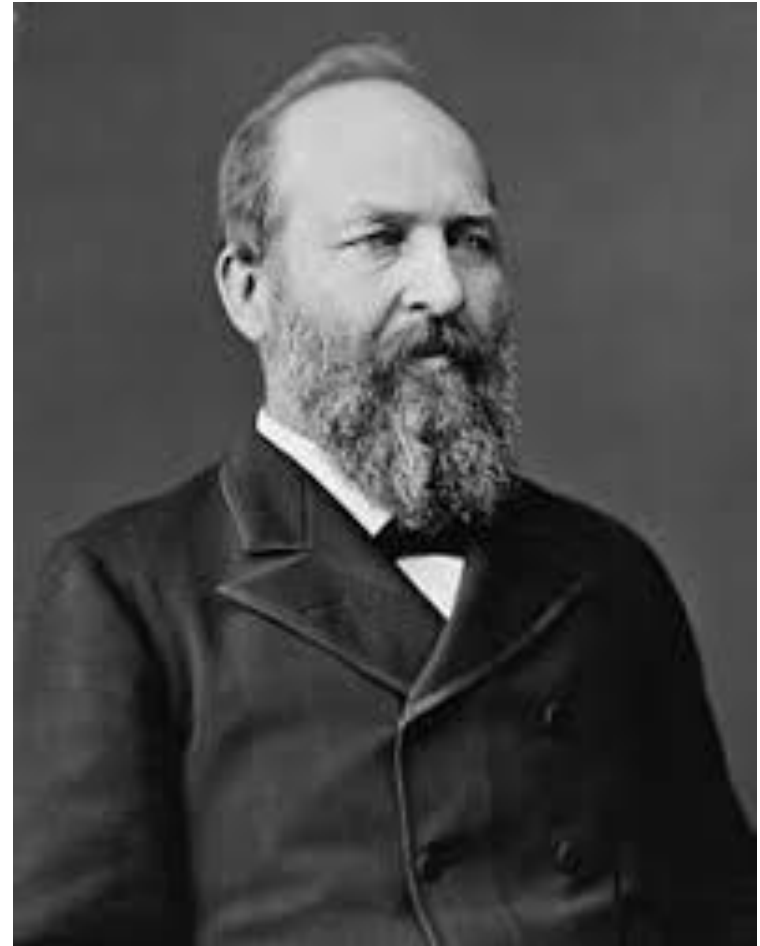
- A criminal lawyer and fair-minded Republican.
- His controversial election was decided by a commission.
- Held the first Easter-egg roll on the White House lawn.
- First president to install a telephone in the White House.
- Last president of the Reconstruction Era.



20th President James A. Garfield

1881

- Full-breaded, ill-fated Republican president.
- The second U.S. president to be assassinated.
- Could write Latin and Greek simultaneously.
- The first left-handed president.
- Known as the last president not to have vetoed any bills.



21st President Chester A. Arthur

1881-1885

- Prince Arthur was a republican schmoozer.
- He was the fourth veep to succeed a dead president.
- Had a deadly kidney disease he kept secret from everyone.
- He was the first president to travel to Wyoming.
- He also was the last president to sport whiskers in the shape of muttonchops.



22nd President Grover Cleveland

1885-1889

- He served two separate terms.
- He was known as “Uncle Jambo” and is known as the most honest president ever.
- He got married at the White House while he was in office.



23rd President Benjamin Harrison

1889-1893

- He was known as little ben and was a figure of fun for some.
- Was preceded and succeeded by the same president.
- Was the first president to have electric lights installed at the White House.
- Was the last president to have a bread.
- The only president whose grandfather was a former president (W.H. Harrison)



24th President Grover Cleveland

1893-1897

- The first president whose Christmas tree had electric lights.
- The only president to have a baby born in the White House.
- He was also the only president to have two nonconsecutive terms in office.



25th President William McKinley

1897-1901

- He ran a front-porch campaign.
- He brought boom times and further expanded U.S. territory.
- He was assassinated by the anarchist Leon Czogosz.
- The first president to hold regular press briefings.
- He was the last president to have served in the Civil War.



26th President Theodore Roosevelt

1901-1909

- He was given the inspiration behind the teddy bear.
- Model president and the first of the 20th century.
- He loved hunting fanatic once he killed 17 lions on a safari.
- Roosevelt was the first president to go under the sea in a submarine.
- He was the last president to be carved into Mount Rushmore, pince-nez and all.



27th President William Howard Taft

1909-1913

- He was a Yale heavyweight-wrestling champion, known as “big bill”.
- After presidency he went on to become chief justice of the United States.
- He got 23 percent of the vote running for a second term.
- He was the first president to have a presidential car.
- And he was the last to wear a mustache.



28th President Woodrow Willison

1913-1921

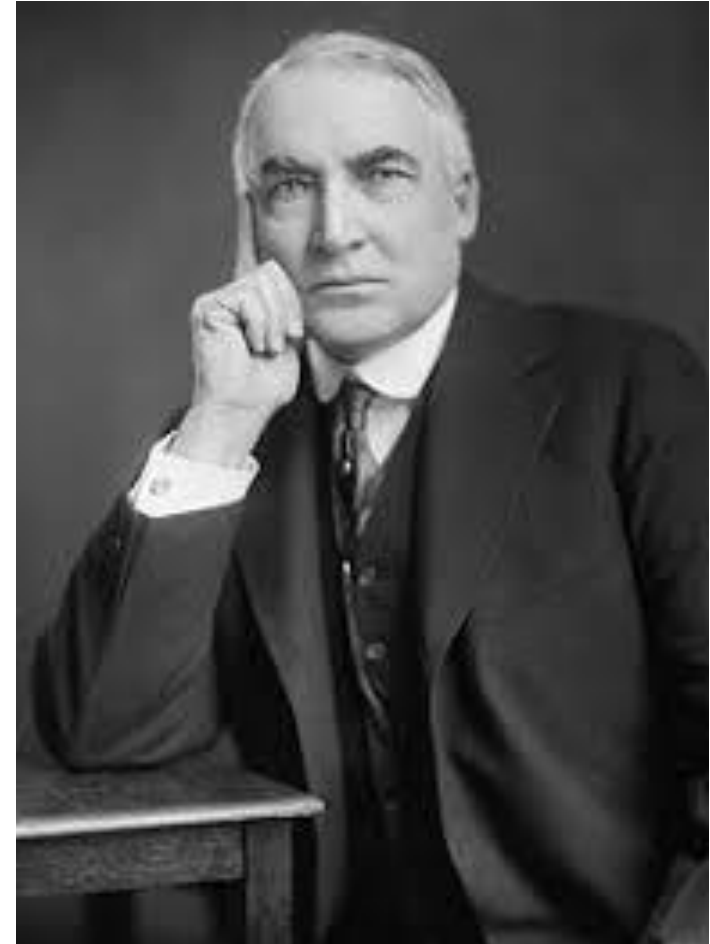
- He promised a “new freedom”.
- An academic and former president of Princeton University.
- He was known as Woodrow, although his first name was Thomas.
- He was the first president to meet the pope while in office.



29th President Warren G. Harding

1921-1923

- He was known as the do-nothing president who put his low friends in high places.
- Died of a heart attack before scandal overtook him.
- The first president to receive more than 10 million votes.
- He was the last president to chew tobacco while in office.



30th President Calvin Coolidge

1923-1929

- This Republican took charge when Harding died.
- Coolidge was the only U.S. president to be born on Independence Day.
- No other president worked harder to do so little.
- Was the last president to own a pet raccoon.
- The only president sworn in late at night, by kerosene lamp... by his dad.



31st President Herbert Hoover

1929-1933

- This republican was known as the "Great Engineer"
- Ex-mining engineer who contributed to at least 40 books.
- Boulder Dam was renamed Hoover Dam in his honor.
- The first president to give his salary away (JFK did, too).
- The last Republican president for 20 years.
- The only president who was fluent in Mandarin Chinese.



32nd President Franklin D. Roosevelt

1933-1945

- Was the legendary democrat served 12 years in office.
- His “New Deal” helped America fight the Great Depression.
- His face is on the dime.
- The first president to appear on television.
- But he was the last president to be inaugurated on March 4th.
- The only president to win four successive election victories.



33rd President Harry S. Truman

1945-1953

- He led the "fair deal" when FDR died unexpectedly.
- The "S" in his name does not stand for anything.
- The first president to have his inauguration broadcast on television (in 1949).
- The first president to have taken office during wartime.
- He was the only 20 president without a college degree.



34th President Dwight D. Eisenhower

1953-1961

- A republican and really trusty guy who kept the peace.
- This cold warrior had a “New Look” nuclear strategy.
- Ike loved golf and had a putting green at the White House.
- The first president to use a helicopter to get around.
- He was the only president to have served both World War I and World War II.
- This president had his paintings displayed in an art exhibition.



35th President John F. Kennedy

1961-1963

- Kennedy was the youngest man ever win a presidential election (age 43).
- Established the Peace Corps volunteer program in 1961.
- He was assassinated in 1963 in Dallas, Texas, by Less Harvey Oswald.
- The first president to have been born in the 20th century.
- He was the last president to wear a stovepipe hat to his inauguration.
- The only president to have been a Roman Catholic.



36th President Lyndon B. Johnson

1963-1969

- He was a democrat who had a vision of a “Great Society”.
- Appointed the first African-American Supreme Court justice.
- His presidency saw U.S. astronauts orbit the Moon.
- The last president to have a space center named after him.
- The only president to be sworn in aboard Air Force One.
- This president once worked as an elevator operator.



37th President Richard Nixon

1969-1974

- Was obsessed with secrecy.
- Pulled U.S. troops out of Vietnam, but fighting there continued.
- “Tricky Dick” resigned to avoid impeachment over Watergate.
- The president to visit Communist China.
- He was the first presidential candidate to campaign in all 50 states.
- He was the only president to resign from office.



38th President Gerald Ford

1974-1977

- This affable republican had a reputation for clumsiness.
- An Eagle Scout who loved football, boxing, skiing, and golf.
- Was the longest-lived president, dying at 93 years and 165 days.
- The only president to serve as both veep and chief exec without being elected.
- The only president to survive assassination attempts by not one, but two, women.
- He was the only president to have died in one year and been buried in the next.



39th President Jimmy Carter

1977-1981

- Was a democrat and an outsider.
- Presided over an energy crisis that he just couldn't fix.
- The first president from the Deep South since the Civil War.
- The first president to have been born in a hospital.
- The last president not to preside over a war.
- He was the only president to report seeing a UFO.



40th President Ronald Reagan

1981-1989

- Was a great communicator, and helped end the Cold War.
- His economic policies were nicknamed “Reaganomics”.
- He was the last president to win almost 100 percent of the electoral vote.
- The only president to have been a movie star.
- This president was also president of the Screen Actors Guild.



41st President George H. W. Bush

1989-1993

- Was a a republican Texas oilman with Northern origins.
- He led an international coalition, in 1991, during the Gulf War.
- A diplomat who kept on good terms with Russia and China.
- He was the first president to visit Singapore.
- Bush was the last president to have fought in World War II- he flew 58 combat missions.
- He also was the president threw up while dining with the prime minister of Japan.



42nd President Bill Clinton

1993-2001

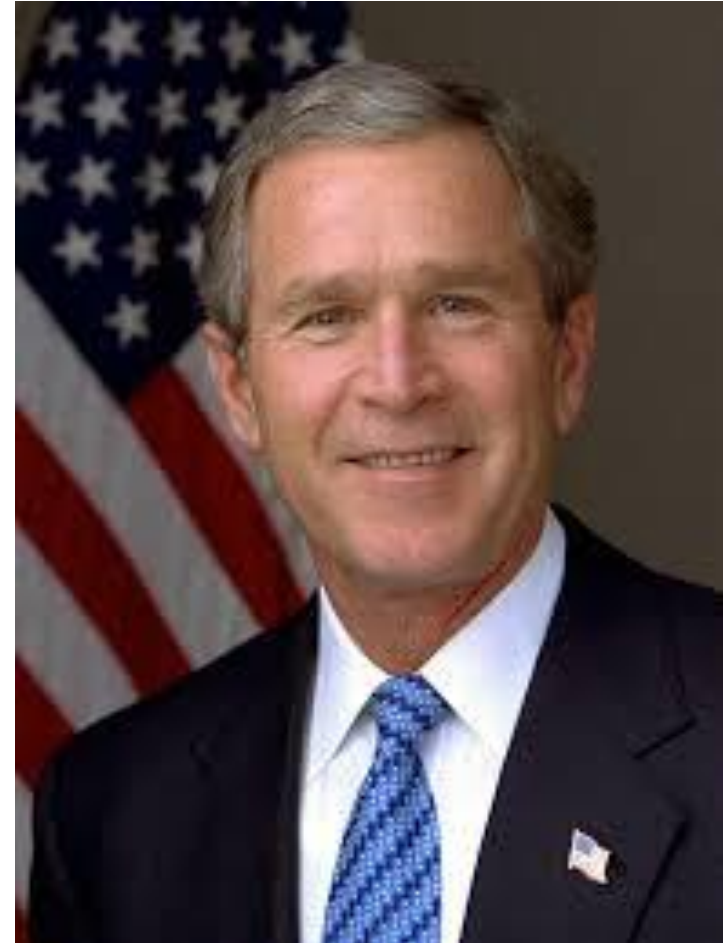
- He was the first Democrat to serve two full term since FDR.
- A people person who played peacemaker on the world stage.
- He was the second U.S. president to be impeached.
- Clinton was the first president to be born after World War II.
- He was the last president to have shaken JFK's hand.
- He is also the only president whose wife became a U.S. senator and secretary of state.



43rd President George W. Bush

2001-2009

- Bush set up the Department of Homeland Security.
- He declared war on terror and invaded Afghanistan and Iraq.
- He was the first president to be granted a state of visit to the United Kingdoms.
- But was the last president whose father has also been president.
- Bush is also the only president to own a baseball team (part owner of the Texas Rangers).



44th President Barack Obama

2009-2017

- Obama was the first African American president.
- He won the Nobel Peace Prize in 2009.
- He presided over a draw-down in Iraq, but violence continues today.
- He is the first president to post his weekly address on YouTube.
- The only president not born on the U.S. mainland (born in Hawaii).
- Obama worked for Baskin-Robbins as a teenager.



45th President Donald J. Trump

2017-Incumbent

- Trump is a Republican who was a real estate mogul and reality TV star.
- His grandfather owned saloons in Seattle during the Gold Rush.
- He has a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.
- He was the first president to have a sister who is a federal judge.
- Trump is the only president to appear on WrestleMania (The Battle of the Billionaires).
- He also is the only president to have been married three times.

