

Eighth Grade Memorization

Presidents (1 - 25 due Friday 1/17/20; 26 – 45 due Friday 6/5/20)

| | Name | State | Years Served | Major events |
|----|------------------------|--------------|---------------------|---|
| 1 | George Washington | VA | 1789-1797 | Constitution ratified, Whiskey Rebellion |
| 2 | John Adams | MA | 1797-1801 | XYZ Affair, Alien and Sedition Acts |
| 3 | Thomas Jefferson | VA | 1801-1809 | Louisiana Purchase, Lewis and Clark Expedition |
| 4 | James Madison | VA | 1809-1817 | War of 1812 |
| 5 | James Monroe | VA | 1817-1825 | Missouri Compromise, Monroe Doctrine |
| 6 | John Quincy Adams | MA | 1825-1829 | New York's Erie Canal, Tariff of 1828 |
| 7 | Andrew Jackson | SC | 1829-1837 | Market Revolution, Trail of Tears, Battle of the Alamo |
| 8 | Martin Van Buren | NY | 1837-1841 | Amistad slave ship incident |
| 9 | William Henry Harrison | VA | 1841 | |
| 10 | John Tyler | VA | 1841-1845 | Webster-Ashburton Treaty |
| 11 | James K. Polk | TN | 1845-1849 | Mexican-American War |
| 12 | Zachary Taylor | VA | 1849-1850 | Galphin Scandal |
| 13 | Millard Fillmore | NC | 1850-1853 | Mexican War, California Gold Rush |
| 14 | Franklin Pierce | NH | 1853-1857 | Gadsden Purchase |
| 15 | James Buchanan | PA | 1857-1861 | Compromise of 1850 |
| 16 | Abraham Lincoln | KY | 1861-1865 | U.S. Civil War |
| 17 | Andrew Johnson | NC | 1865-1869 | Reconstruction, Alaska purchased |
| 18 | Ulysses S. Grant | OH | 1869-1877 | First Transcontinental Railroad, 15th Amendment |
| 19 | Rutherford B. Hayes | OH | 1877-1881 | Bland-Allison Act-free coinage of silver |
| 20 | James A. Garfield | OH | 1881 | Garfield's assassination by C. Julius Guiteau |
| 21 | Chester A. Arthur | VT | 1881-1885 | Pendleton Civil Service Act |
| 22 | Grover Cleveland | NJ | 1885-1889 | Haymarket Riot, Interstate Commerce Act |
| 23 | Benjamin Harrison | OH | 1889-1893 | Sherman Anti-Trust Act, ND, SD, MT, WA, ID, WY become states |
| 24 | Grover Cleveland | NJ | 1893-1897 | Pullman Strike |
| 25 | William McKinley | OH | 1897-1901 | Open Door Policy |
| 26 | Theodore Roosevelt | NY | 1901-1909 | Panama Canal, Pure Food and Drug Act, Meat Inspection Act |
| 27 | William H. Taft | OH | 1909-1913 | Pinchot-Ballinger controversy, 16th Amendment |
| 28 | Woodrow Wilson | VA | 1913-1921 | 17th, 18th, 19th Amendments, World War I |
| 29 | Warren G. Harding | OH | 1921-1923 | Teapot Dome Scandal |
| 30 | Calvin Coolidge | VT | 1923-1929 | Dawes Plan |
| 31 | Herbert Hoover | IA | 1929-1933 | Stock Market Crash, Hawley-Smoot Tariff |
| 32 | Franklin D. Roosevelt | NY | 1933-1945 | New Deal, World War II |
| 33 | Harry S Truman | MO | 1945-1953 | Truman Doctrine, Marshall Plan |
| 34 | Dwight D. Eisenhower | TX | 1953-1961 | Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka, Kansas, Suez Crisis |
| 35 | John F. Kennedy | MA | 1961-1963 | Cuba-Bay of Pigs Invasion, Cuban Missile Crisis |
| 36 | Lyndon B. Johnson | TX | 1963-1969 | Civil Rights Act of 1964, Voting Rights Act of 1965 |
| 37 | Richard M. Nixon | CA | 1969-1974 | Moon Landing, July 1969, Watergate Scandal |
| 38 | Gerald Ford | NE | 1974-1977 | O.P.E.C. crisis |
| 39 | James Carter | GA | 1977-1981 | Iran Hostage Crisis, Energy Crisis |
| 40 | Ronald Reagan | IL | 1981-1989 | Hostages released from Iran, Nicaragua and the Contras |
| 41 | George H.W. Bush | MA | 1989-1993 | Soviet Union collapses, End of Cold War, Operation Desert Storm |
| 42 | William Clinton | AR | 1993-2001 | NAFTA, Impeachment |
| 43 | George W. Bush | TX | 2001-2009 | 9/11, Bush Doctrine (Afghanistan, Iraq) |
| 44 | Barack Obama | IL | 2009-2017 | Great Recession, Patient Protection & Affordable Care Act |
| 45 | Donald Trump | NY | 2017- | North Korea-United States Singapore Summit |

Preamble to the Constitution *(Spelling as in the original) (Due Wed. 10/23)*

We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

Bill of Rights i.e. the first ten Amendments to the Constitution *(Due Wed. 1/15)*

1. Freedom of religion, speech, press, assembly, and petition.
2. Right to keep and bear arms in order to maintain a well-regulated militia.
3. No quartering of soldiers.
4. Freedom from unreasonable searches and seizures.
5. Right to due process of law, freedom from self-incrimination, double jeopardy.
6. Rights of accused persons, e.g., right to a speedy and public trial.
7. Right of trial by jury in civil cases.
8. Freedom from excessive bail, cruel and unusual punishments.
9. Other rights of the people.
10. Powers reserved to the states.

Gettysburg Address *(Due Wed. 3/18)*

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle-field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

But, in a larger sense, we can not dedicate — we can not consecrate — we can not hallow — this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us — that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion — that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain — that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom — and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.