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American Presidents

10
Questions
Guaranteed
to Tickle Your
Curious Brain!

Work with a classmate and try to answer these trivia questions about American presidents.

Then watch the video to check your answers!

1. **When was the first U.S. president elected?**

- a) 1776
- b) 1789
- c) 1803

2. **What is the annual salary of the U.S. president?**

- a) \$800,000
- b) \$1,000,000
- c) \$400,000

3. **Who was the youngest U.S. president to be voted into office?**

- a) Theodore Roosevelt
- b) John F. Kennedy
- c) Barack Obama

4. **Which president's face is on the U.S. one cent coin (penny)?**

- a) Abraham Lincoln
- b) Thomas Jefferson
- c) Ulysses S. Grant

5. **How many presidents' faces are carved into Mount Rushmore?**

- a) four
- b) five
- c) six

6. **Who was the only president to serve 12 years in office?**

- a) Richard Nixon
- b) Franklin D. Roosevelt
- c) John F. Kennedy

7. **Since 1893, no American president has had one of these.**

- a) a beard
- b) a servant
- c) a horse

8. **How many rooms are there in the White House?**

- a) 132
- b) 56
- c) 306

9. **What was the height of the shortest American president?**

- a) 5 feet 11 inches
- b) 5 feet 6 inches
- c) 5 feet 4 inches

10. **How many presidents have won the Nobel Peace Prize?**

- a) one
- b) four
- c) eight

9 – 10 = President!

7 – 8 = Vice President

6 or Less = Secret Service

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Watch the video again and try to answer these questions!

1. When was George Washington president?

from _____ to _____

2. How much money did the first presidents make?

_____ dollars

3. What is the minimum age needed to become the U.S. president?

_____ years old

4. About how many American pennies are made every year?

_____ to _____

5. When was Mount Rushmore completed?

6. When was Franklin D. Roosevelt president?

from _____ to _____

7. Who was the 23rd American president?

8. How many bathrooms are there in the White House?

_____ bathrooms

9. Who was the tallest American president?

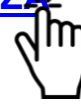
10. The following four presidents have won the Nobel Peace Prize:

_____, **Woodrow Wilson, Jimmy Carter and Barack Obama.**

Teaching Focus 'American Presidents' Topic Intro **Time** Approx 30 mins
Level Intermediate to Advanced

ACTIVITY NOTES

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dq5MYyldSZA>



Page 1

- Use this multiple-choice quiz (5:16) to introduce the topic of **American Presidents**.
- Distribute one copy of the first page to your learners seated in pairs. Give them a set time limit (depending on their level) to read, discuss and answer the questions in pairs.
- You may want to ask your learners to compare a few of their answers with their other classmates.
- Play the video all the way through without stopping. As they watch, your learners can confirm their answers and correct any mistakes.

Page 2 (optional extension activity)

- Distribute a copy of the second page to the same learners seated in pairs. (Save paper by using the photocopier to double-side Page 1 and Page 2!)
- Ask your learners to write the answers to any questions they can remember.
- Have your learners watch the video a second time to complete unanswered questions.
- Elicit and confirm answers from your students after the video has ended.

Follow up Discussion (optional)

- Have learners follow up with these (or similar) questions related to the video:

Do you know of any places that are named after George Washington?

Do you think a salary of \$400,000 is too much or too little for a president?

Should people under 35 be allowed to become presidents? Why? / Why not?

What other presidents' faces are on U.S. coins and bills?

Should other presidents' faces be carved into other mountains? Which presidents?

Etc. (Note: Theodore Roosevelt became the youngest U.S. president at the age of 42.)

ANSWER KEY

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1. b (1789)
2. c (\$400,000)
3. a (Theodore Roosevelt)
4. a (Abraham Lincoln)
5. a (four)
6. b (Franklin D. Roosevelt)
7. a (a beard)
8. a (132)
9. c (5 feet 4 inches)
10. b (four)

Page 2

1. from 1789 to 1797
2. 25,000 dollars
3. 35 years old
4. 4 billion to 8 billion
5. 1941
6. from 1933 to 1945
7. Benjamin Harrison
8. 35 bathrooms
9. Abraham Lincoln
10. Theodore Roosevelt

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 "grayscale" in your
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 save on color
 ink!

