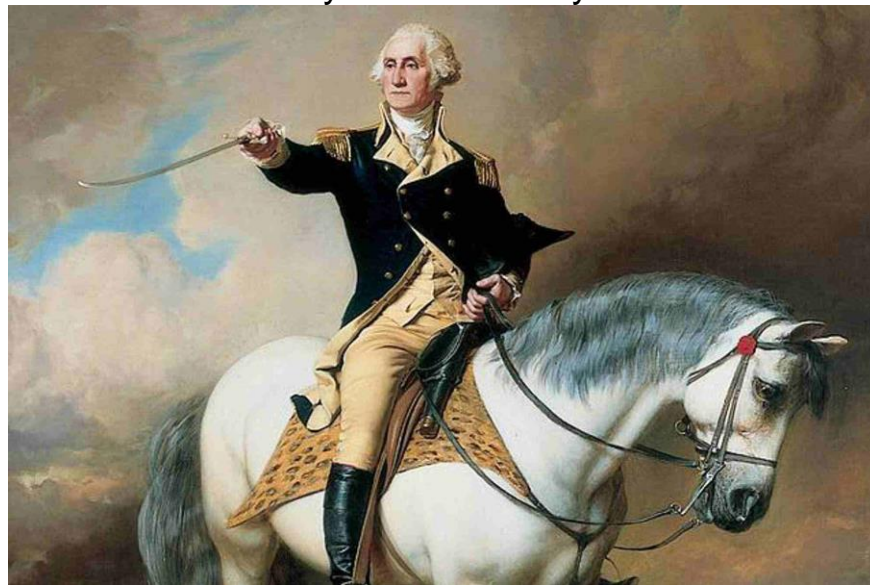




George Washington
By C4A Academy



Source:<https://www.dailysia.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/george-washington-ny-post.jpg>

GEORGE WASHINGTON was the first President of the United States and is often referred to as the "Father of His Country." He was born on February 22, 1732 in Virginia and grew up to become a soldier, STATESMAN (skilled political leader or figure), and eventually the leader of a new nation. Washington was a CRUCIAL (pivotal, key) figure in American history and is remembered for his leadership and CONTRIBUTIONS to the nation.

Spell: CRUCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS STATESMAN

Who is the lesson about? (full name) GEORGE WASHINGTON

Washington is often referred to as the "Father of His ____." COUNTRY

What year was he born? 1732

One of the words used to define crucial was _____. PIVOTAL, KEY

Washington is remembered for his what? LEADERSHIP,
CONTRIBUTIONS

There is a myth that George cut down what kind of tree? CHERRY

VAKTivity: The Early Life of George Washington (2.45 min)

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

Why do you think was Washington's most important role out of soldier, statesman, or President? Why?



<https://mtv-main-assets.mountvernon.org/files/callout/text-block/image/ct-6534-frenchindian-war-monongahela-web.jpg>

Washington began his military CAREER as a young man and served in the British army during the French and Indian War. This was a conflict between the British and French over control of North America. Washington proved to be a skilled and brave soldier and gained VALUABLE experience that would later serve him well in his role as a general in the American REVOLUTION.

Spell: CAREER VALUABLE REVOLUTION

What was the name of the war Washington fought in as a young man?

FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR

This was between the French and whom over control of North America?

BRITISH

What was Washington's rank during the Revolutionary War? GENERAL

An army Washington served in was the _____. BRITISH, AMERICAN, COLONIAL, CONTINENTAL ARMY

What kind of soldier was Washington? SKILLED, BRAVE

What is the capital of France? PARIS

What is ironic about the British Army training Washington to be a soldier?

The American Revolution was a time of great change in the American colonies. The colonists were angry with the British government and wanted more freedom and independence. Tensions between the colonies and the British government grew and eventually led to the outbreak of the Revolution in 1775. Washington was chosen to lead the CONTINENTAL Army and he proved to be a brilliant STRATEGIST and leader. Strategists are skilled in planning action and policies. With his GUIDANCE, the Continental Army defeated the British and the colonies declared their independence, becoming the United States of America.

Spell: GUIDANCE STRATEGIST SKILLED
The American Revolution was a time of great _____. CHANGE
What grew between the colonies and the British government? TENSIONS
Washington was chosen to lead the _____. CONTINENTAL ARMY
The Revolutionary War started in _____. 1775
Strategists are skilled in planning what? ACTIONS, POLICIES
The colonists were angry with the British government and wanted more _____. FREEDOM, INDEPENDENCE
VAKTivity: George Washington Takes Command of the Continental Army (2.37 min.) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1TVe1ZdyfYI>
What side would you have fought on during the Revolutionary War?

Washington was widely respected for his honesty, INTEGRITY (having strong moral principles), and character, and was well-esteemed by people from all walks of life. He was known for his unwavering DEDICATION to the nation and for his DEVOTION to the principles of freedom and DEMOCRACY. Democracy is a system of government in which all eligible members vote for representatives to govern them. Washington was a strong leader and commanded the respect of his fellow CITIZENS. He was also known for his humility and his desire to serve the nation rather than seek personal glory.

Spell: DEDICATION GLORY DEVOTION
What is a system of government in which all eligible members vote for representatives to govern them? DEMOCRACY
Washington was a strong leader and commanded the respect of his fellow _____. CITIZENS

Washington was widely respected for his _____. HONESTY, INTEGRITY, CHARACTER

He was known for his devotion to the principles of? FREEDOM, DEMOCRACY

What type of government does Great Britain have? CONSTITUTIONAL MONARCHY

Who is the monarch of Great Britain? KING CHARLES III

What system of government do you like best?

After the Revolution, Washington was elected as the first President of the United States. He served two terms in office, from 1789 to 1797, and set important PRECEDENTS (example, model) for future U.S. presidents. For example, he ESTABLISHED the tradition of presidents serving one or two terms and stepping down after that. During his presidency, Washington worked to establish a strong federal government, maintain peace with foreign powers, and promote economic growth.

Spell: PRECEDENTS ESTABLISHED OFFICE

Washington was elected as the first President of the _____. UNITED STATES

Washington worked to maintain peace with foreign _____. POWERS

Washington worked to promote economic _____. GROWTH

Washington served two terms in office, from when to when? 1789 TO 1797

Precedent was defined as what? EXAMPLE, MODEL

Washington established the tradition of presidents serving how long? ONE OR TWO TERMS

Which Amendment established a two-term limit on the Presidency? 22ND

VAKTivity: George Washington, Part Two: Putting His Country First (3.07 min.) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ggiNr4Dkb1I>

Why was voluntarily stepping down from power such a radical idea?



https://www.ducksters.com/pictures/jpeg/george_washington/george_washington_resigning.jpg

There were also other ways that Washington was INSTRUMENTAL in shaping the new nation. He helped to create the United States CONSTITUTION, a document that outlines the laws and powers of the government. This document is considered one of the most important in American history and is still in use today. Washington also worked to establish a strong, CENTRALIZED government and a sound economic system. He was committed to preserving the newly formed nation and worked tirelessly to ensure its success. He was also an early ADVOCATE (supporter) for religious freedom. He believed that people should be free to practice their religion without fear of PERSECUTION. This belief was reflected in the First Amendment to the Constitution, which protects religious freedom and the freedom of speech.

Spell: INSTRUMENTAL PRACTICE CONSTITUTION

Washington also worked to establish a strong, ___ government.

CENTRALIZED

Washington worked tirelessly to ensure the nation's what? SUCCESS

What word was defined as supporter? ADVOCATE

He believed that people should be free to practice their religion without fear of _____. PERSECUTION

The Constitution outlines the _____ and _____ of the government? LAWS AND POWERS

The First Amendment to the Constitution protects _____. RELIGIOUS FREEDOM, FREEDOM OF SPEECH, RELIGION, SPEECH

Which amendment grants protection against self-incrimination? 5TH

VAKTivity: George Washington, Part One: Defining the Role of President (2.51 min.) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mUb1Fe-Og28>

What are you an advocate for?



https://www.ducksters.com/pictures/jpeg/george_washington/george_washington_family.jpg

Washington was married to **MARTHA DANDRIDGE CUSTIS** and had no children of his own. He did, however, adopt two children, **John PARKE Custis** and **Martha Parke Custis**, who were the children of Martha's first marriage. Washington was known for his devotion to his family and was a loving husband and father. He was also a **DEDICATED** (eager, driven) farmer who was interested in **AGRICULTURE** and was passionate about improving his **ESTATE** (property), **MOUNT VERNON**.

Spell: AGRICULTURE ESTATE AGRICULTURE

Who did Washington marry? (full name) **MARTHA DANDRIDGE CUSTIS**

What was the name of his estate? **MOUNT VERNON**

Eager and driven defined what word? **DEDICATED**

What is the name of one of his children? **JOHN PARKE CUSTIS, MARTHA PARKE CUSTIS**

Washington was a loving what? **HUSBAND, FATHER**

What do you like to do with your family?

After serving two terms as President, Washington RETIRED to his home in Mount Vernon, Virginia. He spent the last years of his life farming and working on his estate. He was still active in national AFFAIRS, offering advice to his SUCCESSOR, John Adams, and participating in the planning of the new capital, Washington D.C. Washington died on December 14, 1799 at the age of 67. His death was MOURNED throughout the nation, and he was remembered as a great hero and leader.

Spell: RETIRED SUCCESSOR MOURNED

Washington was still active in national _____. AFFAIRS

What is the full name of Washington's successor? JOHN ADAMS

The name of the new capital was _____. WASHINGTON D.C.

What year did he die? 1799

How old was he when he died? 67

How was Washington remembered? AS A GREAT HERO AND LEADER, HERO, LEADER

How did Washington spend the last years of his life? FARMING, WORKING ON HIS ESTATE, PLANNING THE NEW CAPITAL, OFFERING ADVICE TO JOHN ADAMS

What does DC stand for? DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Today Washington is remembered as one of the most important figures in American history. His likeness is featured on the American one-dollar bill and the quarter coin, and he is honored with MONUMENTS and MEMORIALS across the United States. He is remembered as a symbol of American freedom, courage, and leadership. His dedication to the principles of freedom and democracy have made him a symbol of American PATRIOTISM and a hero to the nation. His legacy continues to inspire future GENERATIONS and his contributions to the nation are still celebrated today.

Spell: MONUMENTS MEMORIALS PATRIOTISM

Washington is remembered as one of the most important figures in American _____. HISTORY

Washington is a hero to the _____. NATION

His legacy continues to inspire future _____. GENERATIONS

Washington's likeness is featured on what American currency? ONE DOLLAR BILL, QUARTER COIN

He is remembered as a symbol of American what? FREEDOM,
COURAGE, LEADERSHIP

What currency would you like your image on if you could choose? Why?
What is your opinion of George Washington?

This lesson was adapted from text generated by ChatGPT.

References:

<https://www.mountvernon.org/george-washington/religion/religious-freedom/>