



Abraham Lincoln – A Great President

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Introduction

Abraham Lincoln is remembered as one of the greatest presidents of all time and had a significant impact on the history of America. In this lesson, students will learn about the biography of Abraham Lincoln by watching a video, then answering a writing prompt.

Learning Objectives

([CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.2.2](#)) Write informative/explanatory texts in which they introduce a topic, use facts and definitions to develop points, and provide a concluding statement or section.

Materials Needed

- Pencil and paper
- [Video](#) on Abraham Lincoln
- Graphic organizer

Procedure

1. Ask students if they have ever heard of Abraham Lincoln. Then, tell students that he was the 16th President of the United States of America.
2. Next, show students the short video on the biography of Abraham Lincoln.
3. After the video, together as a class fill out a graphic organizer about the major things that happened during Abraham Lincoln's lifetime.
4. Next, tell students they are going to write an essay using what they learned (and the graphic organizer) about Abe Lincoln.
5. Then, have students answer the following writing prompt:
 - *Abraham Lincoln is remembered as one of the greatest leaders in American history. Using what you learned in the video about his life and your graphic organizer, write an essay explaining three major things that happened in Abraham Lincoln's life.*

Evaluation

Students will be assessed on how well they followed the guidelines for the writing prompt.