



Take turns with the other students in your class to read out loud these fun facts about George Washington:

He had six white horses and commanded that their teeth be brushed every morning.

He liked cream of peanut soup.

He had to borrow money to go to his own inauguration.

He was one of two presidents who signed the U.S. Constitution.

He wore size 13 boots.

He had a dog named Sweet Lips.

He was the only president to die in the 1700s.

He was the only president to appear on a postage stamp.

He issued an order forbidding swearing in the Army.

He had no children of his own.

He had two ice cream freezers installed at his home.

His face was scarred from smallpox.

He had only one tooth when he became President. He wore dentures made of ivory, lead, or human or animal teeth.

He refused to wear the popular powdered wig of his time. Instead, he tied his hair in a short braid at the back.

He carried a portable sundial.

In addition to the capital and the state, 31 counties and 17 towns are named in his honor.

He was the only president unanimously elected. He got all 69 of the electoral votes cast.

He was the only president who did not live in Washington, D.C. during his presidency.

To Do:

1. Draw a picture or a cartoon to illustrate one of the fun facts.
2. Write a poem or rap song using at least five of the following words or phrases:
President horses Philadelphia ice cream dentures
inauguration teeth powdered wig postage stamp smallpox
Constitution sundial Washington Mount Vernon size 13 boots
3. Do a little research to discover five fun facts about another U.S. President. You might try Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt, John F. Kennedy, or any other one of your choice.