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Understanding a Text

RL.2.1, RI.2.1

● Lexile: 440L

● Biography

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Test Yourself

Read the passage. Then answer the questions.

The 16th President: Abraham Lincoln

Abraham Lincoln was born on February 12, 1809. He lived in a log cabin in Kentucky. His family moved to Indiana when he was 8 years old. He lived there with his mother, father, and sister.

His mother, Nancy, died when he was only 10 years old. His father married again. His new wife, Sarah, had three children. She was a good and kind mother.

Abe worked with his father when he was young. He did not go to school very much. However, he did like to read books. He could also do math.

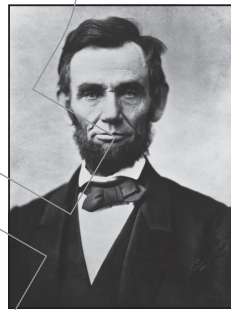
His family moved to Illinois when he was 21 years old. He wanted to start his own life there. He worked on farms. Abe opened his own store. People thought he was honest. One day, he walked six miles to give six cents to a woman that had paid too much in his store.

Abe worked to become a lawyer. He was chosen by the people to help make laws for the state of Illinois. He married Mary Todd and they had four children.

Something great happened when he was 51 years old. He became the president of the United States! He led the country during the Civil War. Abe freed the slaves. He changed history! In 1865, Abe went to a play at Ford's Theater in Washington, D.C. While there, he was shot and killed.



president
head of the
United States



honest
tells the truth



lawyer
a person who
practices or
studies law

EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

● Skill Strategy

Recalling Details—see pages 19–20 of the teacher’s edition

● Vocabulary

Civil War, honest, lawyer, slaves

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1 Abraham Lincoln was born in _____.

- A Illinois
- B Indiana
- C Kentucky**
- D Washington, D.C.

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2 Abe was born in _____.

- A 1806
- B 1809**
- C 1851
- D 1865

RI.2.1

3 Who was Mary Todd?

- A Abraham’s wife**
- B Abraham’s sister
- C Abraham’s mother
- D Abraham’s stepmother

RI.2.1

4 How did Abraham learn if he did not go to school?

The passage says Abe liked to read books. By reading books,

Abraham learned many things. RI.2.1

EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

● Listening/Speaking

Have students think of questions about Lincoln or another historical figure. Using the Internet and library resources, have students search for the answers to their questions. Have students present their questions and the answers to the class.

● ELLs

Have students work in small groups to brainstorm a list of people they would describe as great leaders. These leaders can be from the past or the present. Have students tell why they think each person is a great leader.

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5 Why did people believe Abe was honest?

A woman came into Abraham's store and paid too much. He

walked six miles to give her back six cents. Abe was honest.

RI.2.1

6 What could you infer about how Abe changed history?

Abraham Lincoln freed the slaves during the Civil War. This

changed history forever. RI.2.1