

Abraham Lincoln Fast Facts

Who

- Abraham Lincoln
- Born February 12, 1809
- Assassinated April 14, 1865

Where

- Born in Hodgenville, Kentucky
- As a child, attended school for less than a year
- Did not attend college

What

- Postmaster, self-taught lawyer, politician, and 16th president of the United States of America

When

- One term as president from 1861 to 1865

Presidential Accomplishments

- Issued the Emancipation Proclamation that signaled the beginning of the abolition of slavery in the USA
- Established the United States National Banking System and the national currency
- Formed the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to regulate farming, agriculture, forestry, and food

Assassination

- John Wilkes Booth assassinated President Abraham Lincoln on April 14, 1865. Booth, who was fiercely opposed to Lincoln's mission to abolish slavery, shot the president in the head while he was watching a play at a theater in Washington, D.C.

Quote

"Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal."

Abraham Lincoln

