

If you are a person on a team what kind of people do you want on your team? It all started on a windy day. I had to drive in my mom's green truck. I was driving to my game. I was wearing a blue shirt and shorts and it was freezing cold outside. I was standing on the field and waiting to get picked. I was saying in my head please choose me. Then, all of a sudden I heard my name. I ran out to play and kicked the ball like I had never did before, it was exciting and I was nervous. I didn't think I was going to make it in the goal. I had kept my eyes on the ball and I hit it right into the goal. Then I let out a big breath. I heard the crowd and my team shouting my name, Tiffany Tiffany! Then, my team picked me up and carried me to get the trophy. I saw it right there. We had won and had to get the trophy. We were excited to win and put the trophy in the box. The team said since I made the goal I could keep it. Last, I took it home and put it in my cabinet.



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Hey! Yes! Guess what just happened? The Lakers just won the game again. Yes! That's so exciting isn't it? That's awesome to me. I hope it is to you because I love the Lakers more than any one else. I can also tell you the name of my favorite player and his name is Kobe Bryant. He's like the only person on the team that makes points back to back until the team wins. My first reason why I like basketball is because of my favorite player on the Lakers team. My second reason why I love basketball is because of my favorite team which is the Lakers. My first reason was that I like basketball because of my favorite player on the team. My favorite player on the team is Kobe Bryant. Kobe Bryant is my favorite player because he is the only player on the team making points. Kobe Bryant is very smart that's why he makes a lot of points for the team. My second reason why I love basketball is because of my favorite team which is the Lakers. I love the Lakers so much because when I'm sad I turn the TV on and they turn my sadness into happiness as soon as they start to win the game. As soon as they start winning a game it makes my face shine with a lot of joy. I love basketball so very much because it's just my sport. I hope you liked my essay. It was a blast to write. I also want to thank you for choosing me to be able to write essays for this publication.

## WHAT'S THE HISTORY BEHIND

## PRESIDENT'S DAY?

Presidents' Day is a holiday honoring past presidents of the United States. What is the history behind Presidents' Day? Take a look at this brief time line.



1796 -- The country first celebrated the birthday of George Washington during the last full year he was president.

1866 -- A year after Abraham Lincoln was assassinated, both houses of Congress gathered for a memorial address on his birthday, February 12. Although Lincoln's birthday became a holiday in many states, it never became an official federal holiday.



1885 -- President Chester Arthur made Washington's birthday a federal holiday.

1968 -- Congress passed legislation moving the observance of George Washington's birthday from February 22 to the third Monday in February.

1971 -- The legislation passed in 1968 took effect in 1971. Some people think that the legislation combined the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln and George Washington to create Presidents' Day. Congress never combined Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays. The holiday is still officially called Washington's Birthday. Article by Lois Lewis, Education World® Copyright © 2008 Education World

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01	Washington, George	(1789-1797)
02	Adams, John	(1797-1801)
03	Jefferson, Thomas	(1801-1809)
04	Madison, James	(1809-1817)
05	Monroe, James	(1817-1825)
06	Adams, John Quincy	(1825-1829)
07	Jackson, Andrew	(1829-1837)
80	Van Buren, Martin	(1837-1841)
09	Harrison, William Henry	(1841)
10	Tyler, John	(1841-1845)
11	Polk, James Knox	(1845-1849)
12	Taylor, Zachary	(1849-1850)
13	Fillmore, Millard	(1850-1853)
14	Pierce, Franklin	(1853-1857)
15	Buchanan, James	(1857-1861)
16	Lincoln, Abraham	(1861-1865)
17	Johnson, Andrew	(1865-1869)
18	Grant, Ulysses S.	(1869-1877)
19	Hayes, Rutherford Birchard	(1877-1881)
20	Garfield, James Abram	(1881)
21	Arthur, Chester Alan	(1881-1885)
22	Cleveland, Grover	(1885-1889)
23	Harrison, Benjamin	(1889-1893)
24	Cleveland, Grover	(1893-1897)
25	McKinley, William	(1897-1901)
26	Roosevelt, Theodore	(1901-1909)
27	Taft, William Howard	(1909-1913)
28	Wilson, Woodrow	(1913-1921)
29	Harding, Warren Gamaliel	(1921-1923)
30	Coolidge, Calvin	(1923-1929)
31	Hoover, Herbert Clark	(1929-1933)
32	Roosevelt, Franklin Delano	(1933-1945)
33	Truman, Harry	(1945-1953)
34	Eisenhower, Dwight David	(1953-1961)
35	Kennedy, John Fitzgerald	(1961-1963)
36	Johnson, Lyndon Baines	(1963-1969)
37	Nixon, Richard Milhous	(1969-1974)
38	Ford, Gerald Rudolph	(1974-1977)
39	Carter, James Earl Jr.	(1977-1981
40	Reagan, Ronald Wilson	(1981-1989)
41	Bush, George Herbert Walker	(1989-1993)
42	Clinton, William Jefferson	(1993-2001)
43	Bush, George Walker	(2001-2009)
44	Obama, Barack Hussein	(2009-