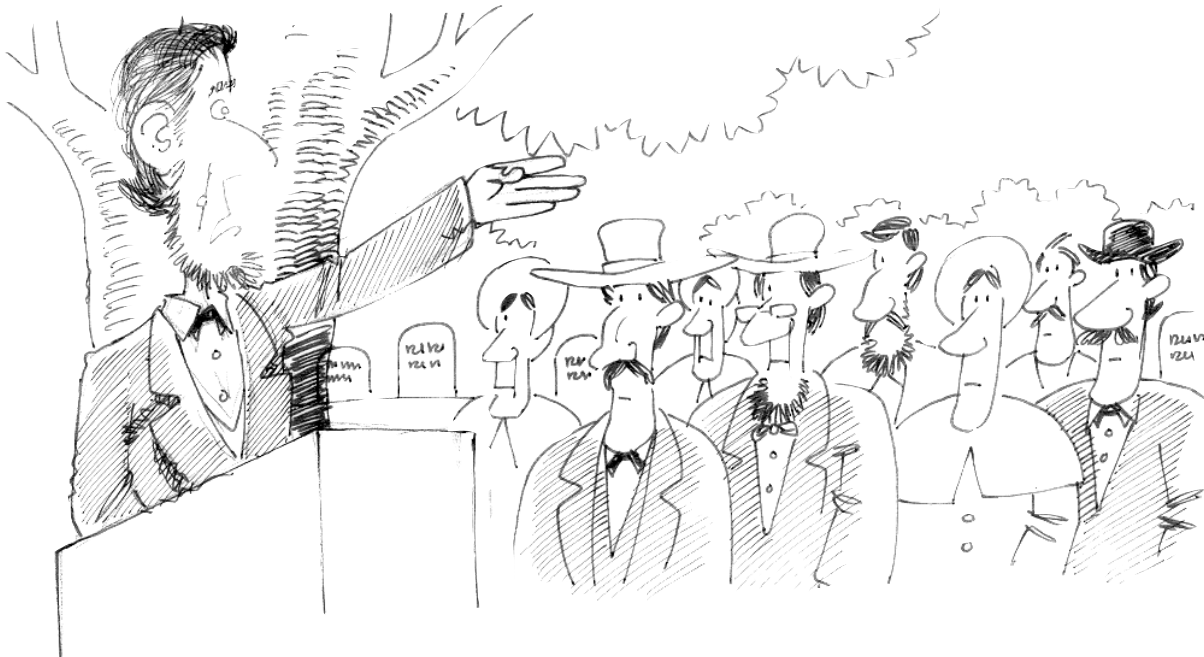


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Abraham Lincoln Biography

Highlights of Abraham Lincoln's Life and Career

Born: February 12, 1809

Parents: Thomas and Nancy Hanks Lincoln

Birthplace: Hodgenville, Hardin County, Kentucky

Education: Self-educated

Religious Affiliation: None

Married: Mary Todd (1818-1882), November 4, 1842

Children: Robert Todd (1843-1926)
Edward Baker (1846-1850)
William Wallace (1850-1862)
Thomas "Tad" (1853-1871)

Military: Served in the Black Hawk War

Occupation: Lawyer, admitted to the bar in 1836

Nicknames: Honest Abe, Long Abe, Illinois Rail Splitter, Giant Killer

Political Parties: Whig, Republican

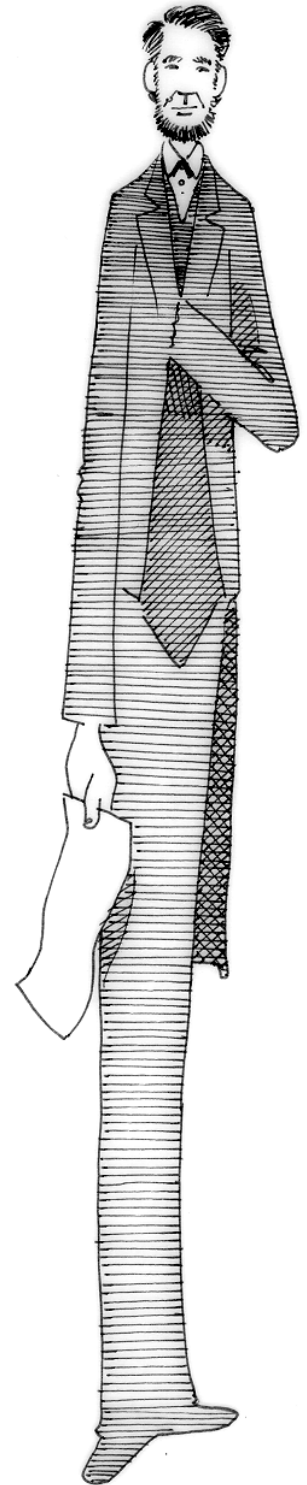
Political Bids: 1832—lost race for a seat in the Illinois House of Representatives
1833—appointed postmaster, New Salem, Illinois
1834—elected to the Illinois legislature
1846—elected to one term in the U.S. House of Representatives
1855—lost U.S. Senate race
1856—lost bid for the Republican vice presidential nomination
1858—lost bid for for the U.S. Senate
1860—elected President
1864—reelected President

Died: April 15, 1865

Cause of Death: Assassinated from a gunshot to the head

Place of Death: Washington, D.C.

Buried: Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, Illinois



Lincoln's Presidential Election Returns

	Electoral Vote	Popular Vote
1860		
Abraham Lincoln (Republican)	180	1,866,452
John Breckinridge (Southern Democrat)	72	847,953
John Bell (Constitutional Union)	39	590,631
Stephen A. Douglas (Democrat)	12	1,375,157

1864

Abraham Lincoln (Republican)	212	2,213,665
George Brinton McCellan (Democrat)	21	1,805,237

(The states of the Confederacy did not vote.)

Lincoln's Administration

Vice President

Hannibal Hamlin, 1861-1865
Andrew Johnson, 1865

Cabinet Members

Secretary of State

William H. Seward

Secretary of the Treasury

Salmon P. Chase, 1861-1864
William P. Fessenden, 1864-1865
Hugh McCulloch, 1865

Secretary of War

Simon Cameron, 1861-1862
Edwin M. Stanton, 1862-1865

Secretary of the Navy

Gideon Welles

Attorney General

Edward Bates, 1861-1864
James Speed, 1864-1865

Postmaster General

Montgomery Blair, 1861-1864
William Dennison, 1864-1865

Secretary of the Interior

Caleb B. Smith, 1861-1863
John P. Usher, 1863-1865





Abraham Lincoln was born in a log cabin in rural Kentucky in 1809. He grew up living on farms in both rural Kentucky and Indiana. His father and mother, Thomas and Nancy Hanks Lincoln, had two children, Sarah and Abraham. Lincoln's mother died when he was nine. His father's second wife, Sarah Bush Johnston, had three children of her own from a previous marriage. Lincoln became very close to his stepmother, who encouraged young Abe to study.



Lincoln preferred reading to farm work. Stories of Lincoln walking for miles to borrow a book have become legendary. Though one of Lincoln's favorite pastimes was reading, he still had to work on his father's farm. Abe was a tall, strong young man, who gained a reputation at a young age for chopping wood and splitting rails. The Illinois Rail Splitter nickname stuck with him throughout his political career.

