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Dear Teachers:

The recent introduction by the U.S. Mint of the U.S. Presidential Dollar series is another perfect opportunity to use money to help students learn more about American history, mathematics, economics, and about how to conduct research.

The media has presented several quizzes of presidential trivia, but I have seen nothing targeted toward elementary school children yet. I have created presidential trivia quizzes designed for three levels of students. The Level 1 quiz is generally aimed for the Kindergarten-2nd grade levels, the Level 2 quiz is for the 3rd-5th grades, and the Level 3 quiz is meant for 6th-8th grade students.

Most questions will take some research to find the answers, either on-line or from reference books. This is intentional. The idea is to encourage students to learn how to find new information in a fun environment, and develop skills that can be used for later projects.

On the accompanying pages are the three levels of quizzes, followed by a page containing the answers to all of the questions plus some useful website addresses. You are welcome to photocopy the quizzes for use in your classes, but please leave the information on the bottom of the page to give credit for the source.

Teachers in and around Lansing are welcome to contact Liberty Coin Service to arrange for a presentation at your school about the U.S. Presidential Dollars and coins in general. Teachers in other areas may wish to contact their local coin dealers to make a similar request.

Like the introduction of the State Quarter series in 1999 and the Sacagawea Dollar in 2000, the Presidential Dollars are certain to increase public interest in coins and paper money. The beginning of the U.S. Presidential Dollar series is not the end of new developments in U.S. coinage. Later this year, more new coins will debut: The First Lady \$10.00 Half Ounce Gold Coins that correspond to the Presidents honored on the Dollar coins in the same year and the $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, and $\frac{1}{10}$ Ounce Gold American Buffalo Gold Coins. In 2009, there are five different Commemorative Lincoln Cents planned for the Bicentennial of Lincoln's birth.

Please write or call me with suggestions for improving future versions of these quizzes, or to check about a presentation for your school. I hope you and your students have as much fun taking these quizzes as I did in preparing them.

Sincerely,

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How Well Do You Know Your U.S. Presidents?

Level 1

Name _____

Directions: Please circle the correct answer

1. Which U.S. Presidents died on July 4, 1826, the 50th Anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence?

- A. John Adams and Thomas Jefferson B. George Washington and James Madison C. None

2. Which U.S. President, who represented Michigan in Congress, was named Leslie King, Jr. at birth?

- A. Warren G. Harding B. Ronald Reagan C. Gerald Ford, Jr.

3. Which U.S. President has appeared on the most denominations of U.S. coins and paper money?

- A. George Washington on 13 denominations B. Thomas Jefferson on 7 denominations
C. Abraham Lincoln on 9 denominations

4. Which U.S. President appeared on the highest denomination paper money, which was illegal for private citizens to own?

- A. Martin Van Buren on the 1934 \$50,000 Federal Reserve Note B. Woodrow Wilson on the 1934 \$100,000 Federal Reserve Note
C. Rutherford B. Hayes on the 1934 \$500,000 Federal Reserve Note

5. What is the lowest denomination paper money ever issued by the U.S. government and which president's portrait does it show?

- A. 3 Cents with George Washington B. 5 Cents with Thomas Jefferson C. \$1.00 with George Washington

6. Who is the only U.S. President ever to appear on a Five Cent Nickel, a coin designed by Felix Schlag who lived much of his life in Owosso, Michigan?

- A. George Washington B. Thomas Jefferson C. Abraham Lincoln

7. Which U.S. President served the most time in office?

- A. Grover Cleveland B. Woodrow Wilson C. Franklin D. Roosevelt

8. Who was the first future President born after the adoption of the Declaration of Independence?

- A. Martin Van Buren 12/5/1782 B. William Henry Harrison 2/9/1773 C. Zachary Taylor 11/24/1784

9. Which of the current living former presidents is the oldest?

- A. Jimmy Carter born 10/1/1924 B. Gerald Ford, Jr. born 7/14/1913 C. George H. W. Bush born 6/12/1924

10. Which U.S. President has appeared on more than 430 billion coins, more than any person in world history?

- A. George Washington B. Thomas Jefferson C. Abraham Lincoln

11. How many U.S. Presidents have appeared on U.S. paper money?

- A. 10 B. 14 C. 19

12. Which U.S. Presidents have appeared on both sides of the same U.S. coin?

A. George Washington

B. Abraham Lincoln

C. Both of them

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How Well Do You Know Your U.S. Presidents?

Level 2

Name _____

Directions: Please circle the correct answer

1. Identify these U.S. Presidents who were born with these first names.

A. Hiram _____ B. Stephen _____ C. Leslie _____

2. How many U.S. Presidents have appeared on U.S. coins?

A. 10 B. 13 C. 17

3. What was the first U.S. coin to show the portrait of a U.S. President?

A. 1900 Lafayette Dollar B. 1909 Lincoln Cent C. 1916 McKinley Gold Dollar

4. Which U.S. President appeared on the highest denomination paper money that was put into circulation?

A. Andrew Jackson on the \$10,000 Gold Certificates B. Woodrow Wilson on the 1934 \$100,000 Federal Reserve Note
C. Rutherford B. Hayes on the 1934 \$500,000 Federal Reserve Note

5. Which U.S. monetary denominations have featured U.S. Presidents on both coins and paper money?

A. 5¢, 10¢, 25¢, 50¢ \$1.00, \$5.00 B. \$1.00 C. None

6. Who were the youngest and oldest persons at the time they became U.S. President?

Youngest _____ Oldest _____

7. Who was the only U.S. President never elected as either President or Vice President?

8. Who was the only U.S. President to appear on a U.S. coin during his lifetime?

9. Who was the only president of a foreign country to appear on a U.S. coin? (Hint: one of America's most populous cities is named after him.)

10. Four U.S. Presidents have appeared together on the same three coins. Name the presidents and the coins.

Presidents _____ Coins _____

11. Name the five out of eight U.S. Presidents who died in office that have appeared on U.S. coins or paper money.

12. Identify the U.S. Presidents whose Vice Presidents had these first names. A. Spiro _____ B. Schuyler _____

C. Hannibal _____ D. Alben _____ E. Adlai _____ F. Millard _____ G. Danforth _____

How Well Do You Know Your U.S. Presidents?

Level 3

Name _____

Directions: Please circle the correct answer

1. What is significant about April 5, 1841 and March 5, 1849 in U.S. Presidential history?

2. Which U.S. President, who appeared on 1902 \$5.00 National Currency, was the great-grandson of a man with the same name that appears on the back of the current \$2.00?

3. Which current circulating U.S. paper money shows President John Adams?

4. Which U.S. President is credited with giving the U.S. a decimal monetary system?

A. George Washington

B. Thomas Jefferson

C. James Madison

5. Name the two U.S. Presidents whose middle names were the same the last names of prior U.S. Presidents.

6. Which U.S. President did not speak English as his primary language?

7. A U.S. President who had appeared on a U.S. coin also had a brother who had appeared on a U.S. coin and a sister who appeared on a U.S. coin. Name all three and the coins they are on.

8. What U.S. gold coin commemorates the U.S. President who made it illegal for Americans to own gold?

9. Who was the only U.S. President to appear on U.S. paper money during his lifetime?

10. Name the only First Lady to appear on a U.S. coin. Name the only First Lady to appear on U.S. paper money

First Lady on coin _____ First Lady on Paper Money _____

11. Which U.S. President who appeared on U.S. paper money had a son who also became President and appeared on a U.S. coin and on U.S. paper money?

12. How many different U.S. Presidents have appeared on a U.S. coin or on U.S. paper money?

A. 19

B. 26

C. 38

Answers To How Well Do You Know Your U.S. Presidents?

Level 1

1. A. Adams and Jefferson. 2. C. Ford 3. A. Washington has appeared on 3¢, 5¢, 10¢, 25¢, 50¢, \$1.00, \$2.00, \$5.00, \$20.00, \$50.00, \$100.00, \$500.00, and \$1,000.00 coins and/or paper money.
4. B. Wilson. This note was only allowed for transactions between banks. 5. A. 3¢ Fractional Currency issued from 1864-1869. 6. B. Jefferson. See photo of the recently dedicated memorial to the Jefferson Nickel at Schlag's gravesite in Owosso, Michigan at www.michigancoinclub.org/mimatist.html. 7. C. Franklin Roosevelt. 8. A. Van Buren.
9. C. George H. W. Bush is about 110 days older than Carter. 10. C. Lincoln, almost all on the Lincoln cent. 11. B. 14. Washington, John Adams, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, John Quincy Adams, Jackson, Lincoln, Garfield, Cleveland, Benjamin Harrison, McKinley, and Wilson. 12. C. Both. Washington appears on both sides the 1999 New Jersey Quarter and 2006 South Dakota Quarter. Lincoln appears on both sides of the Lincoln Cents with the Lincoln Memorial on the back side (Lincoln is seated in the center of the columns).

Level 2

1. Hiram Ulysses Grant later known as Ulysses Simpson Grant at the time of his application to West Point, Stephen Grover Cleveland, and Leslie King, Jr. had his name changed to Gerald Ford, Jr. when he was adopted by his stepfather. 2. B. 13. Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, John Quincy Adams, Lincoln, Grant, McKinley, Theodore Roosevelt, Coolidge, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Eisenhower, Kennedy. 3. A. 1900 Lafayette Dollar. 4. A. Jackson on \$10,000 Gold Certificate. The \$100,000 1934 Federal Reserve Note with Wilson was only used for transactions between banks. 5. A. 6. Youngest—Theodore Roosevelt was 42 upon becoming President; Oldest—Reagan was 69 upon becoming President.
7. Gerald Ford, Jr. 8. Calvin Coolidge was on the 1926 Sesquicentennial Commemorative Half Dollar along with George Washington. 9. Sam Houston twice served as president of the Republic of Texas during its brief history after Texas declared its independence from Mexico and before Texas joined the United States of America. 10. Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln, and Theodore Roosevelt, the four presidents on the Mount Rushmore Memorial, appear on the 1991 Mount Rushmore Commemorative Half Dollar, the 1991 Mount Rushmore Commemorative Dollar, and the 2006 South Dakota Quarter. 11. Lincoln has appeared on the 1¢, 25¢, 50¢, and \$1.00 coins and the 50¢, \$5.00, \$10.00, \$20.00, \$100.00, and \$500.00 notes. Garfield appeared on \$5.00 and \$20.00 notes. McKinley appeared on a \$1.00 Gold coin and \$10.00 and \$500.00 notes. Franklin Roosevelt appears on the 10¢ and \$5.00 coins. Kennedy appears on the 50¢ coins.
12. Spiro Agnew—Nixon, Schuyler Colfax—Grant, Hannibal Hamlin—Lincoln, Alben Barkley—Franklin Roosevelt, Adlai Stevenson—Grover Cleveland, Millard Fillmore—Taylor, Danforth Quayle—George H. W. Bush.

Level 3

1. These are two days when no one filled the office of U.S. President. 2. President Benjamin Harrison is the great-grandson of Benjamin Harrison, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence depicted on the back of the 1976-to-date \$2.00 Federal Reserve Notes. 3. John Adams also appears on the reverse of the 1976-to-date \$2.00 Federal Reserve Notes.
4. Thomas Jefferson, as a member of Congress in the mid 1780s, persuaded his colleagues to adopt the decimal system over the pounds/shillings/pence system used by Great Britain at the time. 5. Ronald Wilson Reagan and William Jefferson Blythe IV later known as William Jefferson Clinton. 6. Martin Van Buren, whose first language was Dutch.
7. President Kennedy appears on the half dollar, his brother Robert Kennedy is honored on the 1998 Robert Kennedy Dollar, and his sister Eunice Shriver is honored on the 1995 Special Olympics Dollar. 8. The 1997 \$5.00 Gold Franklin Roosevelt Commemorative. 9. Abraham Lincoln appeared on the 1861 \$10.00 Demand Note (one of the famous "Greenbacks"), the 1863 \$20.00 Interest Bearing 1-Year Note, and the 1864-5 \$20.00 Compound Interest Treasury Notes.
10. Dolley Madison, wife of James Madison, appeared on the 1999 Dolley Madison Commemorative Dollar. Martha Washington, wife of George Washington, appeared on the 1886 and 1891 \$1.00 Silver Certificates and with her husband on the reverse of the 1896 \$1.00 Silver Certificate. 11. President John Adams, who appeared on the reverse of the 1976-to-date \$2.00 Federal Reserve Note and the 1863-1882 \$100.00 National Currency, was the father of President John Quincy Adams who appears on the 1923-S Monroe Doctrine Commemorative Half Dollar and on the 1869 \$500.00 United States Note. 12. A. 19. Washington (coins and paper money), Adams (paper money), Jefferson (coins and paper money), Madison (coins and paper money), Monroe (coins and paper money), J Q Adams (coins and paper money), Jackson (paper money), Lincoln (coins and paper money), Grant (coins and paper money), Garfield (paper money), Cleveland (paper

money), Benjamin Harrison (paper money), McKinley (coins and paper money), Theodore Roosevelt (coins), Wilson (paper money), Coolidge (coins), Franklin Roosevelt (coins), Eisenhower (coins), and Kennedy (coins).

References for more information: American Numismatic Association, www.money.org, United States Mint, www.usmint.gov/kids/, your local libraries, and your local coin clubs and coin dealers.