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| John Tyler (1841 - 1845) Exercises | about-the-world.org/3943 | Video and exercises |

**Match terms**

*Task: Match each term with the appropriate explanation!*

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| (A) | States’ rights | (1) | well-known or important |
| (E) | Tariff | (2) | representative in a political assembly |
| (E) | Confederacy | (3) | powers held by U.S. states |
| (M) | Annexation | (4) | historical political party in U.S. |
| (N) | Plantation | (5) | tax on imported goods |
| (S) | Prominent | (6) | adding territory to a country |
| (T) | Delegate | (7) | southern states during Civil War |
| (T) | Whig Party | (8) | large farm, especially in hot countries |
| (T) | Delegate | (9) | representative in a political assembly |

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| **Keyword:** | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ |
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**Complete sentences**

*Task: Match the beginning of each sentence with the end!*

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| (A) | His foreign policy decisions ... | (1) | ... was born in Virginia. |
| (E) | He started his political career ... | (2) | ... in the Virginia House of Delegates. |
| (E) | He faced opposition ... | (3) | ... after Harrison’s death. |
| (G) | John Tyler ... | (4) | ... from his own party. |
| (L) | Tyler supported the Confederacy ... | (5) | ... and Texas annexation. |
| (N) | Tyler became president ... | (6) | ... had lasting effects. |
| (R) | Tyler pushed for tariff reforms ... | (7) | ... during the Civil War. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | Where was John Tyler born? |
| (R) | in New York |
| (S) | in Virginia |
| (V) | in Texas |
| 2. | What party did Tyler belong to? |
| (A) | Whig Party |
| (B) | Republican Party |
| (S) | Democratic Party |
| 3. | When did Tyler’s presidency begin? |
| (F) | April 4, 1841 |
| (N) | March 29, 1841 |
| (R) | January 1, 1841 |
| 4. | What did Tyler advocate for in Congress? |
| (E) | States’ rights |
| (R) | Abolition of slavery |
| (V) | Federal rights |
| 5. | What was a major policy during Tyler’s presidency? |
| (A) | Women’s suffrage |
| (S) | Abolition of slavery |
| (T) | Annexation of Texas |
| 6. | What did Tyler do after his presidency? |
| (R) | Became a senator |
| (V) | Retired from politics |
| (Y) | Supported the Confederacy |

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**Right or wrong?**

*Task: State whether the statements are true or false!*

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| right | wrong |  |
| (S) | (V) | 1. John Tyler was born in Virginia. |
| (F) | (E) | 2. Tyler was born in 1841. |
| (R) | (M) | 3. Tyler was a member of the Democratic Party. |
| (M) | (R) | 4. Tyler was the 10th U.S. president. |
| (E) | (T) | 5. Tyler advocated for states’ rights. |
| (A) | (L) | 6. Tyler opposed the annexation of Texas. |

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| **Keyword:** | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_ |
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**7 Questions about the text**

*Task: Answer the questions in one or two complete sentences!*

What was John Tyler’s early life like?

What was significant about Tyler’s vice presidency?

What were some challenges Tyler faced during his presidency?

What were some of Tyler’s major policies during his presidency?

How did Tyler handle foreign relations during his presidency?

What is Tyler’s legacy?

What did Tyler do after his presidency?

**Solution sheet 1**

**John Tyler (1841 - 1845)**

**Match terms**

Prominent = well-known or important

Delegate = representative in a political assembly

States’ rights = powers held by U.S. states

Whig Party = historical political party in U.S.

Tariff = tax on imported goods

Annexation = adding territory to a country

Confederacy = southern states during Civil War

Plantation = large farm, especially in hot countries

Delegate = representative in a political assembly

Keyword: STATEMENT

**Complete sentences**

John Tyler | was born in Virginia.

He started his political career | in the Virginia House of Delegates.

Tyler became president | after Harrison’s death.

He faced opposition | from his own party.

Tyler pushed for tariff reforms | and Texas annexation.

His foreign policy decisions | had lasting effects.

Tyler supported the Confederacy | during the Civil War.

Keyword: GENERAL

**Questions**

Where was John Tyler born?

in Virginia

What party did Tyler belong to?

Whig Party

When did Tyler’s presidency begin?

April 4, 1841

What did Tyler advocate for in Congress?

States’ rights

What was a major policy during Tyler’s presidency?

Annexation of Texas

What did Tyler do after his presidency?

Supported the Confederacy

Keyword: SAFETY

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. John Tyler was born in Virginia.

4. Tyler was the 10th U.S. president.

5. Tyler advocated for states’ rights.

wrong

6. Tyler opposed the annexation of Texas.

2. Tyler was born in 1841.

3. Tyler was a member of the Democratic Party.

Keyword: CACTUS

**Solution sheet 2**

**John Tyler (1841 - 1845)**

**Questions and answers**

What was John Tyler’s early life like?

John Tyler was born into a prominent family in Virginia and developed an interest in politics at a young age.

What was significant about Tyler’s vice presidency?

Tyler’s vice presidency was significant because he became president after the death of President Harrison, setting a precedent for future vice presidents.

What were some challenges Tyler faced during his presidency?

Tyler faced opposition from his own party and had conflicts with Congress over his policies, such as tariff reforms and Texas annexation.

What were some of Tyler’s major policies during his presidency?

Tyler’s major policies included tariff reforms, the annexation of Texas, and a focus on states’ rights.

How did Tyler handle foreign relations during his presidency?

Tyler worked to strengthen ties with Britain and France and dealt with international concerns over Texas annexation.

What is Tyler’s legacy?

Tyler’s legacy is complex and often debated. He is remembered for being the first president to assume office due to the death of his predecessor and for his commitment to his principles.

What did Tyler do after his presidency?

After his presidency, Tyler returned to his home in Virginia, remained active in politics, supported the Confederacy during the Civil War, and served as a delegate to the Confederate Congress.