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| George W. Bush (2001 - 2009) Exercises | about-the-world.org/3973 | Video and exercises |

**Match terms**

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

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| (A) | War on Terror | (1) | policy emphasizing community service |
| (D) | Weapons of mass destruction | (2) | collaborating with all political parties |
| (I) | No Child Left Behind Act | (3) | response to September 11 attacks |
| (I) | Troubled Asset Relief Program | (4) | controversial justification for Iraq War |
| (N) | Post-presidency | (5) | law to improve education standards |
| (O) | George W. Bush Presidential Center | (6) | expanded prescription drug coverage |
| (R) | Bipartisan approach | (7) | response to 2008 financial crisis |
| (T) | Compassionate conservatism | (8) | library and museum in Dallas |
| (T) | Medicare reform | (9) | period after leaving office |

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**Complete sentences**

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

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| (A) | He served ... | (1) | ... was born in Connecticut. |
| (B) | George W. Bush ... | (2) | ... in the Texas Air National Guard. |
| (L) | Bush announced his candidacy ... | (3) | ... for president in 2000. |
| (L) | The September 11 attacks ... | (4) | ... profoundly shaped his presidency. |
| (N) | Bush’s legacy ... | (5) | ... into war in Iraq. |
| (O) | Bush led the U.S. ... | (6) | ... focused on tax cuts. |
| (O) | His domestic policies ... | (7) | ... is often debated by historians. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What was George W. Bush’s profession before becoming president? |
| (I) | Governor of Texas |
| (R) | Mayor of Dallas |
| (V) | Senator of Texas |
| 2. | What was the focus of Bush’s presidential campaign? |
| (A) | Socialism |
| (N) | Compassionate conservatism |
| (S) | Liberalism |
| 3. | What event dramatically affected Bush’s presidency? |
| (N) | Vietnam War |
| (R) | World War II |
| (S) | September 11 attacks |
| 4. | Why did Bush lead the U.S. into war in Iraq? |
| (E) | Claimed Saddam Hussein possessed weapons of mass destruction |
| (R) | Wanted to gain control of oil reserves |
| (V) | Wanted to establish democracy in Iraq |
| 5. | What was one of Bush’s domestic policies? |
| (A) | Implemented universal healthcare |
| (C) | Implemented significant tax cuts |
| (S) | Increased taxes |
| 6. | What did Bush focus on after leaving office? |
| (R) | Running for president again |
| (T) | Charitable initiatives and public speaking |
| (V) | Becoming a senator |

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**Right or wrong?**

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

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| right | wrong |  |
| (G) | (V) | 1. George W. Bush was born in 1946. |
| (F) | (A) | 2. Bush was born in Texas. |
| (T) | (R) | 3. He was a Democratic president. |
| (A) | (R) | 4. Bush was the governor of Texas. |
| (G) | (T) | 5. He became president in 2001. |
| (A) | (E) | 6. Bush’s presidency was unaffected by September 11. |

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**7 Questions about the text**

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

What degree did George W. Bush earn from Yale University?

What did Bush focus on as governor of Texas?

What was the result of the 2000 presidential election?

How did the September 11 attacks affect U.S. policy?

What was the result of the Iraq War?

What was Bush’s response to the 2008 financial crisis?

What does the George W. Bush Presidential Center include?

**Solution sheet 1**

**George W. Bush (2001 - 2009)**

**Match terms**

Compassionate conservatism = policy emphasizing community service

Bipartisan approach = collaborating with all political parties

War on Terror = response to September 11 attacks

Weapons of mass destruction = controversial justification for Iraq War

No Child Left Behind Act = law to improve education standards

Medicare reform = expanded prescription drug coverage

Troubled Asset Relief Program = response to 2008 financial crisis

George W. Bush Presidential Center = library and museum in Dallas

Post-presidency = period after leaving office

Keyword: TRADITION

**Complete sentences**

George W. Bush | was born in Connecticut.

He served | in the Texas Air National Guard.

Bush announced his candidacy | for president in 2000.

The September 11 attacks | profoundly shaped his presidency.

Bush led the U.S. | into war in Iraq.

His domestic policies | focused on tax cuts.

Bush’s legacy | is often debated by historians.

Keyword: BALLOON

**Questions**

What was George W. Bush’s profession before becoming president?

Governor of Texas

What was the focus of Bush’s presidential campaign?

Compassionate conservatism

What event dramatically affected Bush’s presidency?

September 11 attacks

Why did Bush lead the U.S. into war in Iraq?

Claimed Saddam Hussein possessed weapons of mass destruction

What was one of Bush’s domestic policies?

Implemented significant tax cuts

What did Bush focus on after leaving office?

Charitable initiatives and public speaking

Keyword: INSECT

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. George W. Bush was born in 1946.

4. Bush was the governor of Texas.

5. He became president in 2001.

wrong

6. Bush’s presidency was unaffected by September 11.

2. Bush was born in Texas.

3. He was a Democratic president.

Keyword: DONKEY

**Solution sheet 2**

**George W. Bush (2001 - 2009)**

**Questions and answers**

What degree did George W. Bush earn from Yale University?

He earned a degree in history.

What did Bush focus on as governor of Texas?

He focused on education reform and economic development.

What was the result of the 2000 presidential election?

Bush won the election after a Supreme Court decision.

How did the September 11 attacks affect U.S. policy?

They led to significant changes in U.S. foreign and domestic policy.

What was the result of the Iraq War?

The invasion toppled Saddam Hussein’s regime but led to a prolonged conflict.

What was Bush’s response to the 2008 financial crisis?

He implemented the Troubled Asset Relief Program to stabilize the financial system.

What does the George W. Bush Presidential Center include?

It includes a library and museum.