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| William Henry Harrison (1841 - 1841) Exercises | about-the-world.org/3942 | Video and exercises |

**Match terms**

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

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| (A) | Whig Party | (1) | well-known or important |
| (E) | Battle of Tippecanoe | (2) | conflict between U.S. and Native Americans |
| (I) | Pneumonia | (3) | 1811 battle led by Harrison |
| (N) | Transitional period | (4) | War of 1812 battle |
| (O) | Prominent | (5) | historical political party in U.S. |
| (O) | Presidential succession | (6) | official start of a president’s term |
| (P) | Northwest Indian War | (7) | lung infection, cause of Harrison’s death |
| (R) | Battle of the Thames | (8) | process when president can’t serve |
| (T) | Inauguration | (9) | time of significant change |

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**Complete sentences**

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

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| (A) | Harrison was born ... | (1) | ... in Charles City County. |
| (A) | Harrison was known for ... | (2) | ... U.S. Army during the Indian Wars. |
| (M) | His presidency is known ... | (3) | ... his leadership during battles. |
| (N) | He served in the ... | (4) | ... of the Indiana Territory. |
| (O) | Harrison delivered one of ... | (5) | ... the longest inaugural addresses. |
| (T) | He was the governor ... | (6) | ... for being the shortest. |
| (Y) | His death led to ... | (7) | ... changes in presidential succession. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What was Harrison’s profession before his political career? |
| (C) | Military leader |
| (R) | Lawyer |
| (V) | Doctor |
| 2. | What party did Harrison belong to? |
| (A) | Republican Party |
| (O) | Whig Party |
| (S) | Democratic Party |
| 3. | What was significant about Harrison’s inauguration speech? |
| (F) | It was one of the longest in history |
| (N) | It was delivered in French |
| (R) | It was the shortest in history |
| 4. | How long did Harrison’s presidency last? |
| (F) | 31 days |
| (R) | Two years |
| (V) | One year |
| 5. | What caused Harrison’s death? |
| (A) | Old age |
| (E) | Pneumonia |
| (S) | Heart attack |
| 6. | Who continued the Harrison family’s political legacy? |
| (E) | His grandson, Benjamin Harrison |
| (R) | His son, William Henry Harrison Jr. |
| (V) | His brother, Carter Harrison Sr. |

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**Right or wrong?**

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

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| right | wrong |  |
| (Q) | (V) | 1. Harrison was born in Virginia. |
| (F) | (U) | 2. Harrison was a national hero. |
| (R) | (A) | 3. Harrison died from pneumonia. |
| (L) | (R) | 4. Harrison was a military leader. |
| (L) | (T) | 5. Harrison was the ninth U.S. President. |
| (A) | (E) | 6. Harrison was a member of the Whig Party. |

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**7 Questions about the text**

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

What was Harrison’s early life like?

What were some of Harrison’s military achievements?

What political positions did Harrison hold before his presidency?

What happened during Harrison’s presidency?

What is Harrison’s legacy?

What was Harrison’s personal life like?

What was the historical context of Harrison’s presidency?

**Solution sheet 1**

**William Henry Harrison (1841 - 1841)**

**Match terms**

Prominent = well-known or important

Northwest Indian War = conflict between U.S. and Native Americans

Battle of Tippecanoe = 1811 battle led by Harrison

Battle of the Thames = War of 1812 battle

Whig Party = historical political party in U.S.

Inauguration = official start of a president’s term

Pneumonia = lung infection, cause of Harrison’s death

Presidential succession = process when president can’t serve

Transitional period = time of significant change

Keyword: OPERATION

**Complete sentences**

Harrison was born | in Charles City County.

He served in the | U.S. Army during the Indian Wars.

Harrison was known for | his leadership during battles.

He was the governor | of the Indiana Territory.

Harrison delivered one of | the longest inaugural addresses.

His presidency is known | for being the shortest.

His death led to | changes in presidential succession.

Keyword: ANATOMY

**Questions**

What was Harrison’s profession before his political career?

Military leader

What party did Harrison belong to?

Whig Party

What was significant about Harrison’s inauguration speech?

It was one of the longest in history

How long did Harrison’s presidency last?

31 days

What caused Harrison’s death?

Pneumonia

Who continued the Harrison family’s political legacy?

His grandson, Benjamin Harrison

Keyword: COFFEE

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Harrison was born in Virginia.

4. Harrison was a military leader.

5. Harrison was the ninth U.S. President.

wrong

6. Harrison was a member of the Whig Party.

2. Harrison was a national hero.

3. Harrison died from pneumonia.

Keyword: CANVAS

**Solution sheet 2**

**William Henry Harrison (1841 - 1841)**

**Questions and answers**

What was Harrison’s early life like?

Harrison was born into a prominent family with a strong political background. He initially studied medicine but chose a military career.

What were some of Harrison’s military achievements?

Harrison was known for his leadership during the Battle of Tippecanoe and the Battle of the Thames during the War of 1812.

What political positions did Harrison hold before his presidency?

Harrison served as the governor of the Indiana Territory, and was also elected to the U.S. House of Representatives and the Senate.

What happened during Harrison’s presidency?

Harrison’s presidency was cut short due to health problems. He fell ill shortly after his inauguration and died a month later.

What is Harrison’s legacy?

Harrison is remembered for his brief presidency and his military achievements. His death in office highlighted the need for clearer rules regarding presidential succession.

What was Harrison’s personal life like?

Harrison married Anna Tuthill Symmes and they had ten children. He was known for his friendly personality and enjoyed outdoor activities.

What was the historical context of Harrison’s presidency?

Harrison’s presidency occurred during a time of significant change in the United States, with issues such as slavery and economic development becoming increasingly important. His time in office is often viewed as a transitional period in American history.