

topic: **HOLIDAYS | Presidents Day**

*Fill in each blank space with the correct response. If both responses are acceptable, choose the one that sounds **more natural**:*

Presidents Day is an American holiday that is observed on the third Monday in February to (1) _____ (humble/honor) the birthdays of two great American presidents - George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

Because the name of the holiday is fairly (2) _____ (vague/vagrant), not all states focus on the same presidents. In Alabama, for instance, the day is known as "Washington and Jefferson Day".

The holiday isn't really about celebrating the presidents' birthdays - it's about remembering their (3) _____ (acclimations/accomplishments).

Schools in the USA use this time to (4) _____ (educate/emulate) students about American history, (5) _____ (especially/special) about George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

Presidents Day is also the day when many stores around the United States have big (6) _____ (sales/salespeople).

George Washington was a key figure in the (7) _____ (founding/footing) of the United States, as well as the country's first president.

Abraham Lincoln is (8) _____ (received/regarded) by many as being responsible for ending slavery in the United States.

George Washington died of natural (9) _____ (causes/way), while Abraham Lincoln was (10) _____ (assassinated/associated).

Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation, a document that helped to (11) _____ (abolish/admonish) slavery in the United States.

George Washington (12) _____ (led/lead) the American army to victory over Great Britain in the American Revolutionary War (1775–1783).

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ANSWERS:

1) honor 2)vague 3)accomplishments 4)educate 5)especially 6)sales
7)founding 8)regarded 9)causes 10)assassinated 11)abolish 12)led