

Below are four clues for you to guess Who or What Am I? The answers can be a person, place or thing.

Birth of a Country—Revolutionary War

- 1. I was elected President of the Continental Congress in 1775.
 - I was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.
 - I was elected Massachusetts' first Governor in 1780.
 - My name became a synonym for a person's signature.

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- 2. I was a Founding Father.
 - I developed the concept of public (lending) libraries.
 - I was an inventor and am credited with inventing bifocals, swim fins and the odometer.
 - I once flew a kite.

- 3. I began counting in 1790.
 - I determine your congressional representation.
 - I only show myself every 10 years.
 - In 2020, I moved online.

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- 4. I was imposed on the colonists in 1765.
 - I was the first tax imposed by the British government.
 - I required a tax on all legal documents, including marriage licenses, contracts and wills, as well as playing cards and newspapers.
 - I led to the Revolution and the notion of "taxation without representation."



A House Divided—Civil War

I worked as a spy for the Union Army. My codename or nickname was "Moses."

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5. • I was fought in Maryland on September 17, 1862. • I saw 22,000 killed or wounded. • I've been called "one of the bloodiest battles of the war." • I provided the Union victory that President Lincoln needed to announce the **Emancipation Proclamation.** What Am I? • I was a writer, statesman and leader in the abolitionist movement. 6. • I actively supported women's suffrage. • In 1840, I became a preacher where I refined my public speaking skills. • I was a former slave. Who Am I? 7. • I was born during the Reconstruction Period. • I was inspired by the Civil Rights Act of 1866. • To this day, I am cited the most in litigation, by lawyers trying to prove their case. • I granted citizenship to all persons born or naturalized in the U.S., including former slaves, and guaranteed all citizens "equal protection of the laws." What Am I? • I was an abolitionist and political activist. 8.

• In a decade, I made 19 trips from the South to the North, freeing more than 300 slaves.



The Presidency

- 9. I'm known as the "conservation president."
 - I established five national parks during my presidency, including Yosemite.
 - My face is carved on Mt. Rushmore.
 - The teddy bear is name after me.

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- 10. My cornerstone was laid in 1792.
 - I belong to the American people.
 - I was burned in 1814.
 - Though it wasn't part of my original design, I now have an office with no corners.

- 11. As a Federalist, I advocated for a strong central government.
 - As a lawyer, I defended British soldiers after the Boston Massacre.
 - I was the first president to occupy the White House.
 - I served as vice president under George Washington.

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- 12. As president, I pledged to serve only one term and I kept that pledge.
 - I supported the U.S. Supreme Court's Dred Scott decision, which said that Black people were not entitled to U.S. citizenship.
 - I wanted to admit Kansas to the Union as a slave state.
 - Weeks after I left office, the Civil War began.

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Bonus Activity

Now it's your turn. Think about what you've learned in class and come up with your own Who/What Am I? examples. Write each of your four clues on separate cards. See if your classmates can come up with the answer before running out of clues.

Make it a game. Award more points the fewer clues it takes. For example, if someone gets the answer after only one clue, the player gets 4 points; if the player answers correctly after two clues, the player gets 3 points; and so on. Whoever has the most points at the end of the game wins.