PREZ TRIVIAL QUIZ
AND ANSWERS

Below is a Presidential Trivia Quiz and Answers. Some of the questions are obscure, so it might be more fun to just read the questions and answers together.

GRADING CRITERIA: There are 44 questions, each one is 2 points. You can start with 12 points for free so it adds up to 100. If the answer asks for a list and you get at least half of them and no incorrect answers, thats 1 point. To get the full 2 points you need it to be perfect.

You can take the quiz one of two ways.
1) Take it WITHOUT using the web and see how many you can get right. Take 3 hours.

2) Take it and use the web and try to do it fast. Stop when you want, but your score will be
   \[ \frac{120 \times \text{number you get right}}{\text{number of minutes you spend on it}} + 12. \]
   So if you get them all right in an hour then you get a 100.

Much of this material is from the books Hail to the chiefs: Political mischief, Morals, and Malarky from George W to George W by Barbara Holland and Bland Ambition: From Adams to Quayle- the Cranks, Criminals, Tax Cheats, and Golfers who made it to Vice President by Steve Tally. I also use Wikipedia.

There is a table at the end of this document that has lots of information about presidents.

1. How many people have been president without having ever held elected office? Name each one and, if they had former experience in government, what it was.
   (a) Donald Trump. No prior government experience.
   (b) Dwight D. Eisenhower. General in WW II and also first supreme commander of NATO.
   (c) Herbert Hoover. Secretary of Commerce.
   (d) William Howard Taft. Secretary of War.
   (e) Ulysses S. Grant. General in the Civil War.
   (f) Zachary Taylor. Major General in the Mexican American War.
So 3 generals and 2 cabinet positions and 1 businessman. People often think George Washington should be on this list; however, he served in the Virginia House of Burgesses.

2. How many different people have been or are president?
   ANSWER: 44. See Table at the end for more detail. You may have heard that Trump is the 45th president. Grover Cleveland served two non-consecutive terms which account for the discrepancy.

3. How many different people have been or are vice president?
   ANSWER: 48. See Table at the end for more detail. Some presidents had more than one Vice President (FDR had 3) and one vice presidents served under two presidents (George Clinton) so the number is not 44.

4. List all presidents that died in office.
   ANSWER: There were eight.
   (a) William Henry Harrison. Died of pneumonia in 1841. Wikipedia claims that the cold was NOT caused by giving his Inaugural Address in the cold rain without a coat, as is the rumor. See comment on Zachary Taylor. Harrison was 68.
   (b) Zachary Taylor. He consumed too much milk and cherries on July 4, 1850. Really! He died of gastroenteritis as a result. Taylor was 65. However, note that WHH (1841-1841 Prez), ZT (1853-1853 Prez) died in office, and James Polk (1845-1848 Prez) died shortly after leaving office. Some historians think it might have been bad sanitation leading to poisoned water in that era.
   (c) Abraham Lincoln. He was shot by John Wilkes Booth in 1865. Booth thought Lincoln was a tyrant. Lincoln was 56.
   (d) James Garfield. He was shot by Charles J. Guiteau in 1881. Guiteau wanted a job as the American Council in Paris, which Garfield didn’t give to him. JG was 49. Guiteau was actually crazy.
   (e) William McKinley. Shot by Leon Frank Czolgosz in 1901. Czolgosz was an anarchist trying to make a political statement. Its not clear what the statement was. McKinley was 58.
(f) Warren G. Harding. According to *Hail to the Chiefs* the cause of Harding’s death, in 1923, was mysterious: *all the doctors agreed that Harding died of a stroke, or pneumonia, or apoplexy, or a blood clot, or food poisoning*. That book also strongly suggests that his wife poisoned him. Wikipedia supports death by natural causes of some sort but notes that *enough doubts surround the presidents death to keep reputable scholars open to the possibility of murder*. Harding was 57.

(g) Franklin D. Roosevelt. Died of a cerebral hemorrhage in 1945. FDR was 63.

(h) John F. Kennedy. He was shot by Lee Harvey Oswald in 1963. Some disagree or think it was part of a bigger conspiracy. They are wrong. JFK was 46.

There is a memory device for this if you already know some about the presidents: presidents elected in 1840, 1860, 1880, 1900, 1920, 1940, and 1960 all died in office. This accounts for all but Zachery Taylor.

Two more died within a year of leaving office: Polk (age 53) and Arthur (age 57). See comment after question on how many vice presidents went on to be president for some commentary.

5. List all of the presidents who have resigned.

ANSWER: There was just one: Richard Nixon resigned in 1974.

6. List all of the vice presidents that have died in office.

Far more than I would have thought. This could be because even when it happened people didn’t notice. Also, it has not happened lately.

ANSWER: Seven. All of natural causes. Nobody has ever bothered to assassinate a vice president.

(a) George Clinton. He was vice president during both Thomas Jefferson second term and James Madison’s first term. Died of a heart attack at age 72 in 1812.

(b) Edbridge Gerry (Gerrymandering is named after him). James Madison’s vice president second term. Died of a stroke at age 70 in 1814.
(c) William Rufus van King. Franklin Pierce’s vice president. Died shortly after being sworn in as vice president, of tuberculosis, at age 67 in 1853.


(e) Thomas Hendricks. Cleveland’s vice president first term. Actually first month only. He died early at age 66 in 1885. (I could not find what he died of.)

(f) Garret Hobart. McKinley’s vice president. Died of Heart attack at age 55 in 1899.

(g) James Sherman. Taft’s vice president. Died of complications brought on by gallstones at Age 57 in 1912.

7. List all of the vice presidents that have resigned.

ANSWER: There were two:

John Calhoun, Andrew Jackson’s vice president, resigned due to policy differences with Andrew Jackson. John Calhoun believed in States Rights and the right for states to nullify a law.

Spiro Agnew, Richard Nixon’s vice president, resigned as part of a deal when he was convicted of bribery.

8. List all of the vice presidents that went on to be presidents.

ANSWER: There were 13.

(a) John Adams (elected right after being vice president)
(b) Thomas Jefferson (elected right after being vice president)
(c) Martin van Buren (elected right after being vice president)
(d) John Tyler (replaced Harrison who died in office)
(e) Millard Fillmore (replaced Taylor who died in office)
(f) Andrew Johnson (replaced Lincoln who died in office)
(g) Theodore Roosevelt (replaced McKinley who died in office, but then was elected in his own right—a first!)
(h) Calvin Coolidge (replaced Harding who died in office, but then was elected in his own right)
(i) Harry Truman (replaced FDR who died in office, but then was elected in his own right)

(j) Lyndon Johnson (replaced JFK who died in office, but then was elected in his own right)

(k) Richard Nixon (ran after being vice president and lost, and then ran eight years later and won)

(l) Gerald Ford (replaced Nixon who resigned)

(m) George Bush (elected right after being vice president)

The number of people who have been president is 44. The number of people who have been vice president is 48. The number of people who have been both is 13. Hence the number of people who have been either president or vice president is 79. The number of presidents who died in office is 8. The number of vice presidents who died in office is 7. Hence 15 out of 79 died. This is a rather large percentage, around 19%. If you also include the two presidents who died within a year of leaving office (Polk and Arthur) you get 17 our of 79 which is over 21%. Sounds like its a dangerous job; however note that (1) no president has died in office since Kennedy in 1960, (2) no vice president has died in office since Sherman in 1912, (3) most of the people involved were over 60, and (4) medical care and security for presidents and vice presidents are much better now then it was then.

9. What is the max number of ex-presidents alive at the same time? List the times this has happened. Your answer should be a list of statements of the following form: Shortly after X took office there were Y ex-presidents: Z(1), \ldots, Z(Y).

ANSWER: The max number of ex-presidents alive at the same time is five. This has happened four times.

(a) In 1861 just after Lincoln took office there were five ex-presidents: Martin van Buren (died in 1862), John Tyler (died in 1862), Millard Fillmore (died in 1874), Franklin Pierce (died in 1869), James Buchanan (died in 1868). Key factors: (1) Between 1836 and 1860 there were no 2-term presidents, (2) Martin van Buren lived a long time after being president.
(b) In 1993 just after Clinton took office there were five ex-presidents: Richard M. Nixon (died in 1994), Gerald Ford (died in 2006), Jimmy Carter (still alive as of Sept 2017), Ronald Reagan (died in 2004), George Bush (still alive as of Sept 2017). Key factors: (1) Nixon, Ford, Carter, Bush covered 16 years total, and (2) Reagan lived a long time.

(c) In 2001 just after George W. Bush took office there were five ex-presidents: Gerald Ford (died in 2006), Jimmy Carter (still alive as of Sept 2017), Ronald Reagan (died in 2004), George Bush (still alive as of Sept 2017). Bill Clinton (still alive as of Sept 2017). Key factors: (1) Ford, Carter, Bush covered only 10 years, and (2) Reagan lived a long time.

(d) In 2017 just after Donald Trump took office there were five ex-presidents: Jimmy Carter (still alive as of Sept 2017), George Bush (still alive as of Sept 2017). Bill Clinton (still alive as of Sept 2017). George W Bush (still alive as of Sept 2017). Barack Obama (still alive as of Sept 2017). Key factors: (1) Carter, Bush covered only 8 years, and (2) Clinton and W relatively young for presidents and in good health.

If Donald Trump is a one termer, one of Bush Sr or Carter makes it to 2020 (both will be 96) then we will have six ex-presidents. I find that unlikely.

Since Obama is young (he turned 54 on Aug 4 2016) he may help us get to six living ex-presidents. Clinton, W, and Carter were all born in 1946 so are already around 71 in 2017. So lets to a thought experience. We’ll assume that Carter and Bush Sr. die before 2020. Lets call the two presidents after Trump P1 and P2

If Trump is a 1-termer (2017-2020), P1 is a 1-termer (2021-2024), and P2 is a 1-termer (2025-2028) AND if Clinton, W, and Obama are alive in 2029 then we’ll have:

2029: Living Ex presidents Clinton (82), W (82), Obama (67), Trump (82), P1, P2

That makes 6 ex presidents.

If any of Trump, P1, P2 are 2-termers then in 2033 we could have 6 ex-presidents- add 4 to all the above to have a max age of 86, which is
still quite plausible.

If two of Trump, P1, P2 are 2-termers then in 2037 we could have 6 ex-presidents- add 8 to all the above to have a max age of 90, which is still quite plausible.

If all Trump, P1, P2 are all 2-termers then in 2041 we could have 6 ex-presidents- add 12 to all the above to have a max age of 94. This is looking less likely.

10. What is the min number of ex-presidents alive at the same time? List all the times this has happened. Your answer should be a list of statements that (roughly) say During X’s term there was a time when there were only Y living ex-presidents. They were Z(1), . . . , Z(Y).

ANSWER: Zero. This happened six times.

(a) When George Washington was president there obviously were zero living ex-presidents.

(b) Shortly after John Adams became president George Washington died. At that time there were zero ex-presidents.

(c) During Ulysses S Grant’s term Andrew Johnson, the prior president died. Lincoln was dead by assassination and all prior presidents were dead for a variety of reasons, but probably all of old age.

(d) During Theodore Roosevelt’s term Grover Cleveland died, and all other ex-presidents were dead. Recall that the prior prez, McKinley, had been assassinated.

(e) During Herbert Hoover’s term, following Calvin Coolidge’s death (Hoover’s predecessor), there were no ex-presidents. This partially explains why Coolidge didn’t run- he had health problems. Note that Harding died in office.

(f) During Nixon’s term, in 1973, Lyndon Johnson died. At that time there were zero ex-presidents. This was because Lyndon Johnson died young (65), Kennedy was assassinated, Eisenhower was old while president. (Personal Note: I noticed this at the time and it got me interested in questions of this sort.)

I would have thought that since FDR served so long and died in office either during FDR’s term or Harry Truman’s term there would be
a time with no living ex-presidents. Early in FDR’s term there was only one living ex-president: Hebert Hoover. However, he didn’t die until 1964. Hence he lived through the presidencies of FDR, Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy, and part of Johnson’s. This is not the most presidents an ex-president has lived through. That honor might go to Carter who has lived through the presidencies of Reagan, Bush Sr, Clinton, Bush Jr, Obama, and, as of this writing, a week of Trump. I have not checked if this is a record but I will once Carter passes away.

Note that in most of the cases above a recent president had died prematurely (For Grant- Lincoln, For Roosevelt- McKinley, For Hoover-Coolidge, For Nixon- Johnson and Kennedy.)

Since Obama, W, and Clinton are both relatively young, and presidents dying in office is now very rare, I doubt this will happen again. But politics and history can surprise you.

11. What is the most common first name for a president? List all of the presidents that had that name.

ANSWER: James, six times. Here are all the first names that occur more than once:

(a) 6 James: Madison, Monroe, Polk, Buchanan, Garfield, Carter.
(b) 4 William: Harrison, McKinley, Taft, Clinton.
(c) 4 John: Adams, Quincy Adams, Tyler, Kennedy.
(d) 3 George: Washington, Bush Senior, Bush Jr.
(e) 2 Franklin: Pierce, Roosevelt.
(f) 2 Andrew: Jackson, Johnson.

Side note: There were 22 presidents that had unique first names among presidents (they are listed below). It is not surprising that Barak is a unique president’s first name. However, there are several non-exotic names on the list as well. Tom, Dick, and Harry are on the list. Here is the entire list:

Thomas Jefferson, Martin Van Buren, Zachery Taylor, Millard Fillmore, Abraham Lincoln, Ulysses Grant, Dwight Eisenhower, Rutherford Hayes, Chester Author, Grover Cleveland, Benjamin Harrison, Theodore Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson, Warren Harding, Calvin Coolidge,

12. Which last names have occurred the most times for a president?

ANSWER: There are five last names that occurred twice:

(a) John Adams and John Quincy Adams. (Father and Son).

(b) William Henry Harrison and Benjamin Harrison (Grandfather and Grandson).

(c) Andrew Johnson and Lyndon Johnson (no relation).

(d) Theodore Roosevelt and Franklin Roosevelt (Distant cousins. They knew and liked each other. Franklin Roosevelt got married in the TR Whitehorse.)

(e) George Bush and George W. Bush (father and son).

I was looking forward to adding Bill Clinton and Hillary Clinton. OH well.


ANSWER:

(a) Jimmy Carter- As of Sept 2017, 37 years.

(b) Herbert Hoover- 31 years

(c) Gerald Ford- 30 years.

(d) Millard Fillmore- 21 years.

(e) Martin van Buren- 21 years.

While on the topic, here is a list all of the presidents who lived at least 90 years (as of Sept 2017).

ANSWER:

(a) Gerald Ford: 93 years 5.5 months (July 14, 1913- Dec 26, 2006)

(b) Ronald Reagan: 93 years 4 months (Feb 6, 1911-June 5, 2004)

(c) Jimmy Carder: 92 years old and counting. (Oct 1, 1924-)

(d) George Bush Sr: 92 years old and counting (June 12, 1924-)
14. Who is the only deceased president who was not buried with honors? Why?

ANSWER: John Tyler. The reason is that he served in the confederate house of representatives. He died in 1862 and was buried in the Confederacy.

15. List all of the presidents who later served in Congress or on the Supreme Court.

ANSWER:

(a) John Q. Adams: House of Reps.
(b) Andrew Johnson: Senate.
(c) William Taft: Supreme Court. He never really wanted to be Prez, he wanted to be on the supreme court.

This seems unlikely to happen now since taking any job in Wash DC after being president seems like a step down. Way down. George W Bush wants to be the Commissioner of Baseball but is now overqualified.

16. List all of the presidents that ran again four or more years after leaving office.

ANSWER: This has happened four times.

(a) Martin van Buren was President 1837-1841 for the Democratic Party. He ran for Prez as the candidate of the Free Soilers party (an anti-slavery party)- did not carry a single state. He was morally against slavery but thought it was sanctioned by the Constitution.

(b) Millard Fillmore was president 1850-1852 (taking office after Taylor died). He was a Democrat. He ran in 1856 as the candidate for the Know Nothing party who were pro-slavery and anti-Catholic and anti-immigrant. He carried Maryland and got 21.6% of the vote across the country. That is not the parties real name. See below.
(c) Grover Cleveland was president in 1884-1888 as a democrat. He then lost the presidency to Benjamin Harrison, but ran against Harrison and became president 1892-1896, still as a Democratic party - Won! This was good for him but drives people like me nuts since we have to we have things like Obama is the 43rd person to be president but is the 44th president.

(d) Theodore Roosevelt was president 1901-1909 (first got there upon McKinley’s death and then elected in his own right) as a Republican. He did not run in 1909. He ran as the Bull Moose party in 1912 and - got 88 electoral votes but lost.

In three of the four cases the candidate ran as a third-party. Once you leave the White House, its hard to come back.

The Know Nothing Party was so named since it was semi-secret. If you were a member and asked about it you were supposed to say I know nothing about it. Their real name is The American Party though they are almost never referred to by that name now.

17. Name a fictional street gang named after a president.

   ANSWER: In the 148th episode of Seinfeld, aired Feb 6, 1997, titled The van Buren Boys, there was a street gang of that name. Kramer said they are every bit as mean as he was. Their secret sign was to show eight fingers since he was the eighth president. Van Buren was the first president from New York and the show takes place in New York which may explain why they had a street gang named after him. (There may be other fictional street gangs named after presidents, but I do not know of any. If you do, let me know.)

18. Who was the first president elected after women could vote?

   ANSWER: Warren G. Harding. The book Hail to the Chiefs has the following quote: It was the first election women voted in. They needed more practice. More seriously, Harding had supported the woman’s right to vote (I could not find info on if his opponent Cox did.) Harding’s wife Florence campaigned with him which helped. Harding won by a large margin: 404 Electoral votes and 60% of the popular vote.

19. Who is the only person who was named after a president, and was played in a movie by an actor who later became president?
ANSWER: Grover Cleveland Alexander. He was a baseball pitcher, named after president Grover Cleveland. He was played in the movie *The Winning Team* by Ronald Reagan. (My source on this one is one of Bill James Baseball Abstract books.)

20. In what movie did a main character get John Quincy Adams’ vice president wrong?

ANSWER: In *Miracle on 34th Street (1947 version)* Kris Kringle, who claims to be Santa Claus, states that he has passed psychological tests, and brags that he knows that John Quincy Adams vice president was Daniel Tompkins. But this is incorrect! John Quincy Adams’ vice president was John Calhoun! (Tompkins was James Monroe’s vice president.)

Daniel Tompkins was our sixth vice president John Quincy Adams was our sixth vice president. They just didn’t line up, as the chart at the end of this document shows.

It has been speculated that this was the writers way of telling us that Kris Kringle really was crazy and not Santa Claus.

21. Which presidents (real and fictional) have won Nobel Prizes? For each one say if they won it before, during, or after their term of office, and which Nobel Prize they won. Also include what the won it for.

(a) Theodore Roosevelt won the Nobel Prize for Peace in 1905, while in office, for helping to end the Russo-Japanese War.

(b) Woodrow Wilson won the Nobel Prize for Peace in 1919, while in office, for campaigning for the League of Nations.

(c) Jimmy Carter won the Nobel Prize for Peace in 2002 for general humanitarian efforts. This was 22 years after leaving office. It seems like you can win this prize for either a particular thing or a lifetime of service.

(d) Barak Obama won the Nobel Prize for Peace in 2009, while in office, for not being George W. Bush. If the Iran Nuclear deal really works out then they can retroactively claim the 2009 prize was for that deal.
No president has won a Nobel prize in any other category or before taking office. I would like to see America elect someone who had a Nobel Prize in Physics. I doubt this will happen since the skills needed are so different. It's hard to imagine someone having a career in Physics and then switching to politics. Or having a career in Politics and the switching to Physics.

Angela Merkel, the chancellor of Germany, has a PhD in Physics, but no Nobel Prize. Oh well. Russ Holt Jr was in the American House of Representatives from 1999-2015 and has a PhD in Physics.

Fictional: Josiah Bartlett, the president on the TV show *West Wing*, won a Nobel prize in Economics before becoming president. I do not know of other fictional presidents who have won Nobel Prizes. If you do then let me know.

Fictional: Laura Montez, the president in Season 6 of the TV show *Veep*, won a Nobel prize in Peace while president for the (fictional) freeing of Tibet. It is not clear if she deserved it as the groundwork was laid by the prior president (and main character) Selina Meyer.

I do not know of other fictional presidents

22. Which vice presidents (real or fictional) have won Nobel Prizes? For each one say if they won it before, during, or after

(a) Theodore Roosevelt won the Nobel Prize for Peace in 1905, which was after he was vice president (in fact while he was president) for helping to end the Russo-Japanese War.

(b) Charles Dawes won the Nobel Prize for Peace in 1926, while in office, for recommending a plan for German Reparations after WW I. His plan was rather generous and not followed (not sure of that— its what I deduce from some sources but I could be wrong).

(c) Al Gore won the Nobel Prize for Peace in 2007 for his work on Climate Change. This was 7 years after leaving office.

Fictional: None that I know of. If you know of any, then let me know.

23. Which presidents have been sworn in by their nicknames?

Only one- James Carter was sworn in as Jimmy Carter
If Jeb Bush had become president he surely would have been sworn in by his nickname *Jeb* rather than his real name *John*.

24. Name all the presidents who, at some point of their presidency, did not have a spouse. Also specify the circumstances.

(a) Thomas Jefferson. His wife, Martha Wayles Skelton Jefferson, died in 1782. He took office in 1797 as a widow. Dolley Madison and Patsy Madison (Dolley’s daughter) helped out with hosting duties. To call them *first ladies* isn’t quite right as the term is so much different now than it was then. Sally Hemmings also helped out hosting (this is not a joke or a subtle reference).

(b) Andrew Jackson. His wife Rachel Donelson Roberts Jackson died Dec 22, 1828 of a Heart Attack. This was after he was elected but before he took office. Rachel’s niece Emily Donelson was White House Hostess until she died in 1836. Then it was Sarah York Jackson, Andrew Jackson’s daughter-in-law.

(c) Martin van Buren. His wife, Hannah Hoes van Buren, died in 1819. Martin van Buren took office in 1837. Angelica Singleton married van Buren’s oldest son Abraham while van Buren was president and then took over Hosting duties.

(d) John Tyler. His first wife Letitia Christian Tyler died in 1842 while Tyler was president. He then married Julia Gardiner. Tyler had eight children by his first wife and seven by his second. Fifteen legitimate children is the record for a president. (It is likely the record for all children but this is hard to prove.) His oldest child was born when George Washington was Prez and his youngest child died when Harry Truman was Prez. Quite a span!

(e) James Buchanan. Never married. His niece Harriet Lane performed the functions of first lady. Some respected historians think that James Buchanan was Gay. The Gay Community has *not* stepped forward to claim him as one of theirs as they have with Lincoln. That’s why one of the Gay Republican groups is called *Log Cabin Republicans*. It is not clear if Lincoln was gay.

(f) Chester Arthur. His wife Ellen Lewis Herndon Arthur died in 1880. He took office in 1881. His sister Mary Arthur McElroy performed the functions of the first lady.
(g) Grover Cleveland. He entered the white house a bachelor but soon married Frances Felon. She was 21, and the youngest first lady.

(h) Benjamin Harrison. His wife Caroline Lavinia Harrison died in 1892 while he was in office. I have not been able to find out if anyone took over the first lady duties.

(i) Woodrow Wilson. His first wife Ellen Axson Wilson died on Aug 6, 1914, which was during her husbands presidency. Wilson then married Edith Bolling Galt.

I put this question on since I was surprised how many presidents were in this category. To further break it down: (1) four came into the Whitehouse as widows and never married (Jefferson, Jackson, van Buren, Arthur), (2) two came in married, but their wife passed away and they remarried in the white house (Tyler, Wilson), (3) one never married (Buchanan), (4) one came in married, but their wife passed away, and he did not remarry (B. Harrison).

There are other complications. William Henry Harrison’s wife never lived in the white house since he died before she moved in. Andrew Johnson’s wife was too ill to serve as First Lady. Franklin Pierce’s wife was mentally unstable and did not host. So one could ask more detailed questions about who hosted, but I choose not to.

Could someone come to the Whitehouse without a spouse nowadays? Could happen but I doubt it will.

25. Who was the first president to have a Christmas Tree in the Whitehouse?

Franklin Pierce. His wife was Jane was a devout christian. She was also mentally unstable. She stayed in one room in the Whitehouse and wrote letters to their dead son that she put in the fireplace to get to him. Franklin Pierce hoped that having a Christmas tree would cheer her up. It didn’t.

Did this affect his presidency? Hail to the Chief has this great quote with reference to the Civil War. Maybe nobody could have stopped it by this time. Certainly Pierce couldn’t. He couldn’t even get his wife to come out of her room.

26. Which presidents never went to college?
(a) George Washington. He was a surveyor so he knew some stuff.
(b) Andrew Jackson. Log cabin kind of guy.
(c) Martin Van Buren. Pure Politician.
(d) Zachary Taylor. General in the Mexican-American War.
(e) Millard Fillmore. Self-Taught Lawyer.
(f) Abraham Lincoln. Self-Taught Lawyer.
(g) Andrew Johnson. His wife taught him how to read and write and do simple sums.
(h) Grover Cleveland. He had been a Sheriff.
(i) Harry S Truman. He had been a soldier after High School.

Could this happen again? I imagine two scenarios: (1) Someone like Bill Gates who dropped out of college and founded a very lucrative company, or (2) If you are a Governor or Senator for X years I think people will not care a bit about your formal degree status. Nor should they. (3) If the republicans keep up their anti-elitist stance they may one day see not going to college as a benefit. Rick Santorum said that College is not for everyone.

Scott Walker ran for the Republican Nomination in 2016, and was initially a serious candidate, does not have a college degree. He would be in category (2) above.

27. Which presidents have had advanced degrees beyond College. (Note that Abe Lincoln practiced law but did not have a Law Degree. In those days you didn’t need to.)

(a) Rutherford B Hayes-Harvard Law.
(b) William Taft- Univ. of Cincinnati Law.
(c) Woodrow Wilson- John Hopkins- PhD in History and Political Science.
(d) Richard Nixon- Duke Law.
(e) Gerald Ford- Yale Law.
(f) Bill Clinton - Yale Law.
(g) George W. Bush- Harvard MBA.
(h) Barak Obama- Harvard Law.

Near misses:

(a) William Henry Harrison withdrew from Univ of PA Medical School. If he had stayed maybe he would know that you shouldn’t give a speech for 3 hours in the rain.
(b) FDR finished all of the requirements to graduate with a Law Degree from Columbia but did not formally graduate.
(c) JFK withdrew from Stanford Business School.

If I missed anything, let me know.

One would think a PhD in History and/or Political Science would be good training for the Presidency and I suspect it did help Wilson. However, the conventional wisdom seems to be that Law School is good prep.

Note that since 1968 it has become far more common to have an advanced degree: Nixon, Ford, Bush Sr, Clinton, Bush Jr, Obama having one and Carter, Reagan not having one.

I would like to see a President who had a PhD in a hard science. Angela Merkel, the Chancellor of Germany, has a PhD in Physics.

28. Which presidents were 2-star Generals or higher?

I list them in order of most impressive rank to least. I also list which wars they participated in. They may not have been generals in all of them.

(b) Dwight D. Eisenhower. 5-star General. WW II.
(c) Ulysses S. Grant. 4-star General. Civil War.
(d) Andrew Jackson. Major General (2 stars). Rev War, Creek War, War of 1812, First Seminole War.
(f) Zachary Taylor. Major General (2 stars). War of 1812, Black Hawk War, Second Seminole War, Mexican American War.

(g) Rutherford B. Hayes. Major General (2 stars). Civil War.

(h) James A. Garfield. Major General (2 stars). Civil War.

The most recent was Dwight D Eisenhower. This seems unlikely to happen anytime soon. Not a single Vietnam Vet who has run has won (Gore, Kerry, McCain). Neither Romney nor Obama have served. With the volunteer draft the kind of people who end up in Congress (upper class or even rich) tend to not have been in the army. But this just takes one exception to prove me wrong.

29. Which presidents who were elected once did not run for a second term (excluding those who died in their first term)?

(a) James Polk. He was a compromise candidate and hence pledged to only serve one term. That was just as well—he was in really bad health when he stepped down. He lived only 103 days and died at the age of 53. He had the shortest retirement of any president.

(b) Franklin Pierce. He made several unpopular blunders in dealing with the Slavery issue (e.g., The Kansas-Nebraska Act) and his party did not renominate him. Note that he was a Democrat (hence pro-slavery) but from the North. So he couldn’t please anyone.

(c) James Buchanan. Note that he was a Democrat (hence pro-slavery) but from the North. So he couldn’t please anyone. Gee, similar to Pierce.

(d) Rutherford B. Hayes. He got elected under suspicious means. There was a compromise and one of the terms of it was that he not run again.

(e) Theodore Roosevelt. He had already served about 7 years since he served most of McKinley’s term. Hence he wanted to uphold the precedent of not being in office over 8 years. He later regretted that and ran again 4 years later and lost.

(f) Calvin Coolidge. He had a mild heart attack during his term and declined to run for health reasons. This was not known at the time.
(g) Harry S Truman. Similar to Theodore Roosevelt in that he had already served about 7 years, having filled most of FDR’s 4th term.

(h) Lyndon B Johnson. He declined to run. He had already been in office about 5 years; however, the real reason is that he thought he might lose the election because of the Vietnam war.

30. Who was the first first female to run for president of the United States? (NOTE- this is an ambiguous answer so I’ll take several answers as being correct.)

I’ll take any of the people mentioned below as a correct answer. I’ll have many more details below, but but to tell you how wide apart the answers are:

One answer is Victoria Chaflin Woodhull, who ran in 1872.

One answer is Hillary Clinton who ran in 2016 (NOT 2008)

Historians say it was Victoria Chaflin Woodhull, Equal rights party, ran in 1872 and 1892. She did go around the country campaigning. This was before women could vote. Fredrick Douglas was her vice President. While historians acknowledge that she was the first female to run for president, under some stricter criteria her 1872 run does not count. Her name was not allowed to appear on any ballots and she got no votes. She died in 1927 and hence lived to see women get the vote and use it to elect Warren G. Harding. Oh well.

Under a stricter criteria the answer would be Belva Ann Lockwood who ran in 1884 and 1888. She was on some ballots and got 4100 votes. She died in 1917 and hence did not live to see women get the vote. Oh well.

A stricter criteria is to be placed in nomination by a major party. Margaret Chase Smith did this in 1964 as a republican. Shirley Chisholm did this as a Democrat in 1972. I suspect these women ran to make a point, not really to win.

Elizabeth Dole ran in the Republican primaries in 2000. She was knocked out early; however, she was running to win and was a plausible candidate. Its not clear if this is a better or worse case than Margaret Chase or Shirley Chisholm.
By a stricture but hard-to-define criteria Hillary Clinton 2008 has a better case than anyone above since she was first female candidate to seriously run for a major parties nomination and to have a real chance at it.

Hillary Clinton, in 2016, was the first female candidate to get a major parties nomination. This answer works under any definition of “runs for prez” and no later answer will be better. Hence, when I post this quiz in 2020 I won’t have to update this question.

I was hoping that she would WIN to give the story a happy ending. Oh well.

31. Name all of the presidents who won an election despite having one of their opponents have a larger percent of the popular vote. This can happen because of the electoral college. List the president, the year, and who the opponents were.

We list the president who won and the number of electoral votes they won.

(a) 1824: John Q Adams (84), Andrew Jackson (99), William Crawford (41), Henry Clay (37). Since there was no majority it went to the House of Representatives. Clay through his support to John Q Adams so he won. Clay later became Sec of State in what Andrew Jackson has called the corrupt bargain.

(b) 1876: Rutherford B Hayes (185), Samuel Tilden (184).

(c) 1888: Benjamin Harrison (233), Grover Cleveland (168)

(d) 2000: George W Bush (271), Al Gore (266)

(e) 2016: Donald Trump (306), Hillary Clinton (232)

32. Name all of the presidents who won an election despite having LESS THAN 50% of the vote.

This can easily happen either because the electoral college did funny things (see last question) or if its close and there are third-party candidates who do pretty well. We list the president, the year, and all opponents who got at least 1% of the vote. If I have left someone out who should be there or included someone who shouldn’t, let me know. The opponents are listed in order of their popular vote.

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(a) 1824: John Q Adams, Andrew Jackson, William Crawford, Henry Clay (NOTE- I do not know if Crawford or Clay got more popular vote.)
(b) 1844: James Polk, Henry Clay, James G. Birney
(c) 1848: Zachary Taylor, Lewis Cass, Martin van Buren
(d) 1856: James Buchanan, John C. Fremont, Millard Fillmore
(f) 1876: Rutherford B Hayes, Samuel Tilden.
(g) 1880: James Garfield, Winfield Scott Hancock, James Weaver.
(h) 1884: Grover Cleveland, James Blaine, John St. John, Benjamin Franklin Butler
(i) 1888: Benjamin Harrison, Grover Cleveland, Clinton B Fisk, Alson Streeter
(j) 1892: Grover Cleveland, Benjamin Harrison, James Weaver, John Bidwell.
(k) 1912: Woodrow Wilson, Theodore Roosevelt, William H Taft, Eugene V Deb, Eugene W Chafin
(n) 1968: Richard Nixon, Hubert Humphrey, George Wallace
(o) 1992: Bill Clinton, George Bush, Ross Perot
(p) 1996: Bill Clinton, Bob Dole, Ross Pierrot
(q) 2000: George W Bush, Al Gore, Ralph Nader
(r) 2016: Donald Trump, Hillary Clinton, Gary Johnson, Jill Stein

33. Who were our six wealthiest presidents? The amount of money we use is their peak net worth in current dollars.

This is based on an article *The Ten Richest U.S. Presidents* posted on the Wall Street Journal’s website. It was posted on Feb 17, 2012.

We use 2010 dollars.
(a) Donald Trump: Hard to say but probably at least 1 billion.
(b) George Washington: 525 Million. Much of this was inherited from Martha Washington’s father.
(c) Thomas Jefferson: 212 Million. Even so, he died in debt. He sold his library to the country to form the library of Congress.
(d) Theodore Roosevelt: 125 Million. He had a large trust fund but lost alot of it on a ranching venture in the Dakotas. He then wrote books that made money.
(e) Andrew Jackson: 119 Million. He was born to humble surroundings but married rich and made money in the Military. He died in debt. He claimed to understand the common man. Despite his wealth he really seemed to.
(f) James Madison: 101 Million. Mostly in Land. His net worth went down later in his life due to the financial collapse of his plantation.

If Mitt Romney (losing candidate in 2012) had been elected, would have been number 4 on the list. He is worth around 200 Million.

34. Which presidents never gave a state of the union address?
Recall that the State of the Union address is given in Jan, approx a year after they are prez. William Henry Harrison and James Garfield were dead before then. WHH by Pneumonia, Garfield was shot. I learned this on Jeopardy. On Final Jeopardy the topic was US Presidents. The question was (I am paraphrasing) Two US presidents never gave a state of the Union address. On was William Henry Harrison. Who was the other one? I guessed George Washington and was WRONG. Humbling.

35. What is the max number of 2-term presidents we’ve had ni a row. List them all.
The answer is three and its only happened three times:
Jefferson (1801-1809), Madison (1809-1817), Monroe (1817-1825)
The fact that it use to be rare but happened recently MIGHT mean that the incumbency has more power than it used to. Or that the parties
are more disciplined—note that neither Clinton, Bush Jr, or Obama had a primary challenge. Or this could be circular—because an opposing candidate will likely lose to an incumbent, the serious contenders don’t run.

Of course trends hold until they don’t...

And Trump has broken all trends and rules...

36. Note that neither Obama nor McCain (the prez contenders in 2008) had ever been Prez or Vice Prez. When was the last time before 2008 when neither of the two major candidates were a prior prez or vice prez?

The last time neither candidate was a prior prez or vice prez was in 1952 Adlai Stevenson vs Dwight Eisenhower. We use P for Prez and VP for Vice Prez.

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37. Note that neither Obama nor Romney (the prez contenders in 2012) ever served in the military. When was the last time before 2012 when neither of the two major candidates served in the military?
The last was 1944- FDR vs Dewey. One can quibble on what it means to serve in uniform (does W count for serving in the National Guard? Does Carter count for serving in the Navy but not in Wartime?) But none of this mattered in the end. Here is the list and some info on it.

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Bush Jr joined the National Guard to avoid going to Viet and there is even some question as to whether he really served in the National Guard.

Clinton dodged the draft, clearly a None.

Reagan enlisted in the Army Enlisted Reserve in 1937. He was made a second Lt in 1937. He was ordered to active duty in 1942 but due to nearsightedness was excluded from serving overseas. He then went into public relations for the Army. Even though he never saw combat, I count this. (Neither did Carter).

Humphrey and Johnson seems to have been too young for WW I and too old for WW II (Humphrey was 30 in WW II, Johnson was 34).
Stevenson enlisted in the Navy but his training was completed after WW I already ended.
Dewey seems to have been to young for WW I and too old for WW II.
FDR was too old for WW I and WW II.

38. Name all of the presidents whose first language was not English, and what it was.
   There is only one- Martin van Buren was born in a Dutch speaking community in New York.

39. Who ran for the presidency and lost three times (note that this does not mean he got on the national ticket all three times), declined two offers to run as Vice President, and both of those times the Prez candidate ran and won and died.
   Daniel Webster. He ran for president in 1836, 1840, 1848.
   In 1836 he was one of four Whig candidates whose name was on the ballot (I do not know in how many states) and he won Massachusetts but no other state. Martin van Buren, the Democrat, beat all of the Whigs.
   In 1840 he was not on the ballot but he was offered the chance to run as William Henry Harrison’s Vice President. He declined and Harrison won and died.
   In 1848 he was not on the ballot but he was offered the chance to run as Zachery Taylor’s Vice President. He declined and Taylor won and died.

40. List all sitting VPs who ran and won a Presidential election?
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   (a) John Adams (Washington’s VP.)
   (b) Thomas Jefferson (Adams VP.)
   (c) Martin van Buren (Jackson’s VP.)
   (d) George H.W. Bush (Reagan’s VP.)

   Being the Vice President diminishes one and hence makes it harder to be elected president. VP’s that became president and then ran as such did better.
41. List all sitting Senators who won a presidential election.

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(a) Warren G Harding
(b) John F Kennedy
(c) Barack Obama

42. List all sitting Governors who ran and won a Presidential Election.

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(a) Rutherford B Hayes- Gov of Ohio
(b) Grover Cleveland- Gov of New York
(c) William McKinley- Gov of Ohio
(d) Woodrow Wilson- Gov of New Jersey
(e) Franklin Roosevelt- Gov of New York
(f) Bill Clinton- Gov of Arkansas.
(g) George W Bush- Gov of Texas

43. There is an English king who can count among his descendents all but one of the American Presidents elected from Washington to Trump. Who is the King and who is the missing Prez?

King John, who also produced the Magna Carta, has as his descendents all of the presidens except Martin van Buren.

I found this out when I heard that 95% of all genetic lines die out (this may not be quite right, but lots die out) but those that live on have LOTS of descendents. Charlemagne and Gengis Kahn also have lots.

44. Who is the only president who wrote a novel?

Jimmy Carter wrote *A Hornet’s Nest* which is a novel set in the American South during the Revolutionaly war.

END OF PRES QUIZ

TABLE OF INFORMATION

In the table below I have a line whenever there was *any* change in president or vice president.
1. Pres is who is president.

2. Vice Pres is who is president.

3. NP is the Number of Presidents there are at that point.

4. NVP is the Number of Vice Presidents there are at that point.

5. diff is the number NVP-NP.

6. Lspan is the Lifespan of the president

7. D means the person died in office. R means the person resigned from office.

8. To save space I left out middle names, except for John Q. Adams and George W. Bush who needs that middle initial to distinguish them from their fathers who were also presidents. In one cases this is a mistake: William King is really William Rufus de Vane King.

9. To save space I leave out the first two digits of a year in phrases like “1735-26” This means 1735-1826. There is no case where this is ambiguous.
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