

Precedents of Presidents

Precedent: Something done, said, or written that becomes an example to be followed in the future.

Depending on the class in which you are currently enrolled (U.S. History A or U.S. History B), pick an American President from the list on the back of this page. With the use of your textbook and the internet, you are to conduct research about your choice and be prepared to present your findings using PowerPoint.

Your PowerPoint project must contain at least 8 slides and include:

- pictures that support your details
- a title slide
- a bibliography slide that cites your sources

Your research must include the following:

- Personal Information: Include birthdate (and date of death if appropriate), birth place, educational background, military service, political party, political experience, age when taking and leaving office, dates of his presidential service, and family information (wife and children).

- Identify 2 significant events that occurred during your President's administration:
For each event:
 - In no less than 5 complete sentences and no more than 10 complete sentences, describe the event.
 - Describe how your President was involved.
 - Explain if your President's involvement led to a successful or unsuccessful outcome.
 - Describe how your President's management of this event affected the behavior of future Presidents.

- Email your President:
 - Introduce yourself
 - Explain the assignment
 - Give at least one reason why you admire him
 - Give at least one reason why you are disappointed in him (stated politely)
 - Thank him for his service