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| James A. Garfield (1881 - 1881) Exercises | about-the-world.org/3951 | Video and exercises |

**Match terms**

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

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| (F) | Battle of Chickamauga | (1) | birthplace of Garfield |
| (I) | Lucretia Rudolph | (2) | school Garfield attended |
| (L) | Charles Guiteau | (3) | college Garfield graduated from |
| (O) | Western Reserve Eclectic Institute | (4) | army Garfield served in |
| (O) | House Appropriations Committee | (5) | battle Garfield fought in |
| (O) | Civil service reform | (6) | committee Garfield served on |
| (P) | Moreland Hills | (7) | Garfield’s assassin |
| (R) | Williams College | (8) | Garfield’s wife |
| (T) | Union Army | (9) | Garfield’s policy focus |

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**Complete sentences**

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

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| (A) | He served in the ... | (1) | ... in Moreland Hills, Ohio. |
| (A) | Charles Guiteau shot ... | (2) | ... Union Army during the Civil War. |
| (C) | Garfield was born ... | (3) | ... was a U.S. Representative. |
| (I) | Garfield is remembered ... | (4) | ... on March 4, 1881. |
| (N) | His life was cut short ... | (5) | ... Garfield on July 2, 1881. |
| (P) | Before presidency, Garfield ... | (6) | ... for his education commitment. |
| (T) | He took office ... | (7) | ... but his contributions are recognized. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What was Garfield’s birthplace? |
| (R) | New York, New York |
| (S) | Moreland Hills, Ohio |
| (V) | Boston, Massachusetts |
| 2. | Which army did Garfield serve in? |
| (A) | Union Army |
| (B) | British Army |
| (S) | Confederate Army |
| 3. | What position did Garfield hold before presidency? |
| (L) | U.S. Representative |
| (N) | Governor of Ohio |
| (R) | U.S. Senator |
| 4. | When did Garfield take office? |
| (M) | March 4, 1881 |
| (R) | July 4, 1881 |
| (V) | January 1, 1881 |
| 5. | Who shot Garfield? |
| (A) | Lee Harvey Oswald |
| (O) | Charles Guiteau |
| (S) | John Wilkes Booth |
| 6. | What is Garfield remembered for? |
| (N) | His commitment to education |
| (R) | His military service |
| (V) | His long presidency |

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**Right or wrong?**

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

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| right | wrong |  |
| (W) | (V) | 1. Garfield was born in Ohio. |
| (F) | (A) | 2. Garfield was born in Massachusetts. |
| (R) | (S) | 3. Garfield served in the Confederate Army. |
| (S) | (R) | 4. Garfield served in the Union Army. |
| (E) | (T) | 5. Garfield was a U.S. Representative. |
| (A) | (R) | 6. Garfield was a U.S. Senator. |

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**7 Questions about the text**

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

What was Garfield’s early life like?

What was Garfield’s military service like?

What was Garfield’s political career like before his presidency?

What were the circumstances of Garfield’s presidency?

How did Garfield die?

What is Garfield’s legacy?

What was Garfield’s personal life like?

**Solution sheet 1**

**James A. Garfield (1881 - 1881)**

**Match terms**

Moreland Hills = birthplace of Garfield

Western Reserve Eclectic Institute = school Garfield attended

Williams College = college Garfield graduated from

Union Army = army Garfield served in

Battle of Chickamauga = battle Garfield fought in

House Appropriations Committee = committee Garfield served on

Charles Guiteau = Garfield’s assassin

Lucretia Rudolph = Garfield’s wife

Civil service reform = Garfield’s policy focus

Keyword: PORTFOLIO

**Complete sentences**

Garfield was born | in Moreland Hills, Ohio.

He served in the | Union Army during the Civil War.

Before presidency, Garfield | was a U.S. Representative.

He took office | on March 4, 1881.

Charles Guiteau shot | Garfield on July 2, 1881.

Garfield is remembered | for his education commitment.

His life was cut short | but his contributions are recognized.

Keyword: CAPTAIN

**Questions**

What was Garfield’s birthplace?

Moreland Hills, Ohio

Which army did Garfield serve in?

Union Army

What position did Garfield hold before presidency?

U.S. Representative

When did Garfield take office?

March 4, 1881

Who shot Garfield?

Charles Guiteau

What is Garfield remembered for?

His commitment to education

Keyword: SALMON

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Garfield was born in Ohio.

4. Garfield served in the Union Army.

5. Garfield was a U.S. Representative.

wrong

6. Garfield was a U.S. Senator.

2. Garfield was born in Massachusetts.

3. Garfield served in the Confederate Army.

Keyword: FELINE

**Solution sheet 2**

**James A. Garfield (1881 - 1881)**

**Questions and answers**

What was Garfield’s early life like?

Garfield was born into a poor family and had to work hard from a young age. He loved to read and was a bright student.

What was Garfield’s military service like?

Garfield served as a general in the Union Army during the Civil War. He fought in several important battles and earned respect for his bravery and strategic thinking.

What was Garfield’s political career like before his presidency?

Garfield was a U.S. Representative for nearly 20 years. He was known for his strong speeches and commitment to education and civil rights.

What were the circumstances of Garfield’s presidency?

Garfield took office during a time of political division within the Republican Party. He aimed to promote civil service reform and reduce government corruption.

How did Garfield die?

Garfield was shot by Charles Guiteau, a disgruntled office seeker. He survived the initial attack but later died from infections and complications.

What is Garfield’s legacy?

Garfield is remembered for his commitment to education and civil service reform. His assassination highlighted the need for change in the political system.

What was Garfield’s personal life like?

Garfield was a devoted husband and father who enjoyed spending time with his family. He also enjoyed reading, writing, and giving speeches. His personal life reflected his values of hard work, family, and education.