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| John Adams (1797 - 1801) Exercises | about-the-world.org/3935 | Video and exercises |

**Match terms**

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

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| (C) | Federalist Party | (1) | town in Massachusetts |
| (E) | Harvard College | (2) | prestigious educational institution |
| (E) | Continental Congress | (3) | representative in a congress |
| (I) | Quasi-War | (4) | revolutionary assembly in America |
| (L) | Delegate | (5) | supported strong central government |
| (N) | Correspondence | (6) | laws controlling immigration, speech |
| (O) | Checks and balances | (7) | conflict with France |
| (S) | Braintree | (8) | system limiting government power |
| (T) | Alien and Sedition Acts | (9) | exchange of letters |

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**Complete sentences**

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

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| (B) | John Adams ... | (1) | ... was born in Massachusetts. |
| (C) | He was ... | (2) | ... Harvard College. |
| (I) | He attended ... | (3) | ... as a delegate. |
| (I) | He retired ... | (4) | ... the second President. |
| (S) | Adams served ... | (5) | ... the Alien and Sedition Acts. |
| (T) | Adams had ... | (6) | ... to Quincy, Massachusetts. |
| (U) | Adams signed ... | (7) | ... a complex relationship with Jefferson. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What role did John Adams play in the American Revolution? |
| (C) | He helped draft the Declaration of Independence |
| (R) | He was a spy for the British |
| (V) | He led the British forces |
| 2. | What was John Adams’s profession before becoming President? |
| (A) | He was a soldier |
| (H) | He was a lawyer |
| (S) | He was a farmer |
| 3. | What was one of the laws Adams signed during his presidency? |
| (N) | The Civil Rights Act |
| (R) | The Emancipation Proclamation |
| (U) | The Alien and Sedition Acts |
| 4. | What was the conflict during Adams’s presidency known as? |
| (A) | The Revolutionary War |
| (R) | The Quasi-War |
| (V) | The Civil War |
| 5. | What is one aspect of Adams’s legacy? |
| (A) | His discovery of electricity |
| (C) | His belief in the rule of law |
| (S) | His invention of the cotton gin |
| 6. | Where did Adams retire after his presidency? |
| (H) | Quincy, Massachusetts |
| (R) | New York, New York |
| (V) | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania |

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**Right or wrong?**

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

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| right | wrong |  |
| (T) | (V) | 1. John Adams was the second President. |
| (F) | (A) | 2. John Adams was the first President. |
| (R) | (S) | 3. Adams was a member of the Democratic Party. |
| (C) | (R) | 4. Adams was a member of the Federalist Party. |
| (H) | (T) | 5. He signed the Alien and Sedition Acts. |
| (A) | (E) | 6. He signed the Emancipation Proclamation. |

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**7 Questions about the text**

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

What was John Adams’s early life like?

What role did Adams play in the American Revolution?

What was Adams’s position before becoming President?

What were some challenges Adams faced during his presidency?

What were some of Adams’s domestic policies?

What was Adams’s foreign policy like?

What was Adams’s relationship with Thomas Jefferson like?

**Solution sheet 1**

**John Adams (1797 - 1801)**

**Match terms**

Braintree = town in Massachusetts

Harvard College = prestigious educational institution

Delegate = representative in a congress

Continental Congress = revolutionary assembly in America

Federalist Party = supported strong central government

Alien and Sedition Acts = laws controlling immigration, speech

Quasi-War = conflict with France

Checks and balances = system limiting government power

Correspondence = exchange of letters

Keyword: SELECTION

**Complete sentences**

John Adams | was born in Massachusetts.

He attended | Harvard College.

Adams served | as a delegate.

He was | the second President.

Adams signed | the Alien and Sedition Acts.

He retired | to Quincy, Massachusetts.

Adams had | a complex relationship with Jefferson.

Keyword: BISCUIT

**Questions**

What role did John Adams play in the American Revolution?

He helped draft the Declaration of Independence

What was John Adams’s profession before becoming President?

He was a lawyer

What was one of the laws Adams signed during his presidency?

The Alien and Sedition Acts

What was the conflict during Adams’s presidency known as?

The Quasi-War

What is one aspect of Adams’s legacy?

His belief in the rule of law

Where did Adams retire after his presidency?

Quincy, Massachusetts

Keyword: CHURCH

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. John Adams was the second President.

4. Adams was a member of the Federalist Party.

5. He signed the Alien and Sedition Acts.

wrong

6. He signed the Emancipation Proclamation.

2. John Adams was the first President.

3. Adams was a member of the Democratic Party.

Keyword: SADDLE

**Solution sheet 2**

**John Adams (1797 - 1801)**

**Questions and answers**

What was John Adams’s early life like?

John Adams was born in Braintree, Massachusetts, and grew up in a farming family. He received a good education and attended Harvard College.

What role did Adams play in the American Revolution?

John Adams played a significant role in the American Revolution. He was a strong supporter of independence from Britain and helped draft the Declaration of Independence.

What was Adams’s position before becoming President?

Before becoming president, John Adams served as the first Vice President of the United States.

What were some challenges Adams faced during his presidency?

During his presidency, John Adams faced several challenges, including tensions with France and internal divisions within the country.

What were some of Adams’s domestic policies?

During his presidency, John Adams faced several domestic issues, including political party conflicts. He signed the Alien and Sedition Acts, which aimed to control immigration and limit free speech.

What was Adams’s foreign policy like?

Adams’s presidency was marked by tensions with France, known as the Quasi-War. He sought to avoid a full-scale war and instead focused on diplomacy.

What was Adams’s relationship with Thomas Jefferson like?

John Adams had a complex relationship with Thomas Jefferson, who was his friend and political rival. They worked together during the American Revolution but had different views on government. Their friendship cooled during Adams’s presidency due to political disagreements, but they later reconciled and exchanged letters.