


Presidents' Day Masks

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Your Presidents' Day celebration will come to life with these easy-to-make masks!

This activity is appropriate for:
kindergarten - 3rd grade / 5 - 8 years

You will need:

- Paper plates
- Colonial Hat template
- Top Hat template
- Hair-Colors Crinkle Strips (black)
- Construction Paper - 9" x 12" (blue and black)
- Cotton balls
- Jumbo Craft Sticks
- Best-Buy School Glue - 4 oz
- Safety Scissors
- Presidents' Day Poems

Before you begin:

1. Print the Colonial Hat template and Top Hat template. Cut out one for each student. Also print the Presidents' Day Poems for each student.

Directions for the George Washington mask:

1. Give each student a paper plate and a pair of scissors. Have students use the scissors to poke a hole and cut a large circle in the center of the plate.
2. Give each student a copy of the Colonial Hat template and some blue construction paper. Encourage students to trace the template onto the blue construction paper and cut out the hat. Have them glue the hat to the top of the paper plate.
3. Next, have students glue cotton balls to each side of the plate to represent George Washington's powdered wig.
4. Finally, glue a jumbo craft stick to the bottom of the plate for students to use as a handle.
5. Encourage students to hold up their masks as you read the George Washington poem aloud. (**Note:** For older students, invite them to take turns reading the poem aloud while holding their masks.)

Directions for the Abraham Lincoln mask:

1. Give each student a paper plate and a pair of scissors. Have students use the scissors to poke a hole and cut a large circle in the center of the plate.

2. Give students a copy of the Top Hat template and some black construction paper. Encourage students to trace the template onto the black construction paper and cut out the hat. Have them glue the hat to the top of the paper plate.
3. Next, have students glue black crinkle strips around the sides and bottom of the plate to represent Abraham Lincoln's beard.
4. Finally, glue a jumbo craft stick to the bottom of the plate for students to use as a handle.
5. Encourage students to hold up their masks as you read the Abraham Lincoln poem aloud. (**Note:** For older students, invite them to take turns reading the poem aloud while holding their masks.)