

NOTES: James Madison; War of 1812; Native American Conflicts

James Madison

- 4th President
- From Virginia
- Jefferson's hype guy and Secretary of State
 - Sued by William Marbury in *Marbury v. Madison*
- "Father of the Constitution"
- Helped pass the Bill of Rights

War of 1812

- America's "Second War for Independence" vs. Great Britain
- **Causes of the War of 1812:**
 - Britain impressing our sailors
 - Britain interfering with our trade
 - Britain instigating the Native Americans
 - ▶ Settlers ignored treaties with Indians
 - ▶ Settlers built farms on Indian lands
 - ▶ Hunted the animals that Indians depended on for food
 - ▶ Unite under **Tecumseh and the Prophet**
 - Tecumseh: Military Leader of the Indian Confederation
 - The Prophet: Spiritual Leader
 - Wanted to ignore the "white ways" and return to old Native American lifestyle
- Battle of Tippecanoe - **William Henry Harrison** claims victory
- Battle of Thames - William Henry Harrison kills Tecumseh
 - The Prophet curses William Henry Harrison "and all who follow him"
 - ▶ 27 years later, when Harrison is elected president, he mysteriously died with a month of taking office of complications from a common cold = first American president to die in office.

The Zero Factor

Abraham Lincoln	1860	Assassinated in a theater by John Wilkes Booth
James Garfield	1880	Assassinated by a not-too-sane person who would have preferred Chester Arthur as President.
William McKinley	1900	Assassinated by a deranged anarchist while standing in a receiving line at a social event.
Warren Harding	1920	Died of complications of thrombosis (blood clot) and pneumonia amidst great political scandal in 1923
Franklin D. Roosevelt	1940	Died of cerebral hemorrhage toward the end of World War II
John F. Kennedy	1960	Assassinated in Dallas Square by unknown killer, possibly Lee Harvey Oswald