



Questions for Classroom Discussion

What is President's Day?

- **What are some reasons why President's Day is celebrated as a National Holiday?**
 - ⇒ Consider all of the accomplishments of past presidents and the role they have played in the shaping of America
 - ⇒ Consider that the birthdays of George Washington (Feb 22) and Abe Lincoln (Feb 12) are typically celebrated on this day
 - ⇒ Consider the need for people to find reasons to celebrate, if for nothing else than to take a day off of work or school, get together with friends and family, and enjoy life a little more... and that honoring the highest office in our democratic system is a worthwhile reason

- **How is President's Day celebrated today, and does it honor the original purpose of the holiday?**
 - ⇒ Consider ways that people celebrate the holiday (days off of school, speeches, community gatherings, etc.), and what those traditions mean
 - ⇒ Consider the extent to which most people know—or don't know—the reason why President's Day is celebrated

- **If you were giving a short presentation about President's Day to fellow students, what would be the best way to get your message across?**
 - ⇒ Consider the intended audience and what they probably know—or don't know—about President's Day
 - ⇒ Consider ways that you might be able to capture the attention of your intended audience
 - ⇒ Consider how entertainment can be an effective way to teach important lessons