



## Questions for Classroom Discussion

### **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
- **What are some ways that the school could honor President's Day?**
  - ⇒ Consider having a themed assembly for the entire school, which may include classroom skits, guest speakers, or other student performances
  - ⇒ Consider how students can interact with history, such as by making timelines or bulletin boards
  - ⇒ Consider having a school-wide contest, such as a costume contest, essay contest, or classroom "door-decorating" contest
- **What factors should be considered when choosing and designing activities to honor President's Day?**
  - ⇒ Consider limitations that will help you decide on the best method to create activities — cost, time, intended audience, complexity of the central message, etc.
  - ⇒ Consider how everything about the activities should be focused on the specific message of President's Day
  - ⇒ Consider logistical issues— will the activities all be in a central location? Or spread throughout the campus?