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George Washington - The Best President?

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Summary:

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Article Body:

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George Washington is a much-admired person in many respects. As the first president of the United States,

George Washington was born on February 22, 1732 in Virginia. He was the son of well off plantation owners.

As George Washington grew into adulthood, he became an expert surveyor of land. He worked in various capacities for the British.

In 1752, George Washington joined the Virginia militia. He quickly became an officer and played a significant role in the Battle of Fort Mifflin.

As the fort was being built, Washington was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and given the task of defending the fort.

Desperate to turn the tide, the British Governor of Virginia reinstated George Washington by a court-martial.

By the 1760s, George Washington had retired from the military and entered politics. He was a member of the House of Burgesses.

In 1775, the colonies formed a Continental Congress to address the conflict with the British. Washington was elected as the commander-in-chief of the Continental Army.

Facing total defeat and a lack of money, George Washington did an amazing thing. He rallied his troops and won the Battle of the Clouds.

On February 4, 1789, George Washington was elected the first President of the United States of America.

1. Being referred to as Mr. President.

2. Refused to be declared King.

3. The creation of an inaugural event and ball.

4. Swearing on a bible when taking the oath of president.

5. Moving the capital to Washington, D.C.

6. Agreeing to the passage of the Bill of Rights.

7. Proclaimed the neutrality of the United States in all international conflicts.

In 1792, President Washington ran for re-election and was unopposed. He left office in March 1797.

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