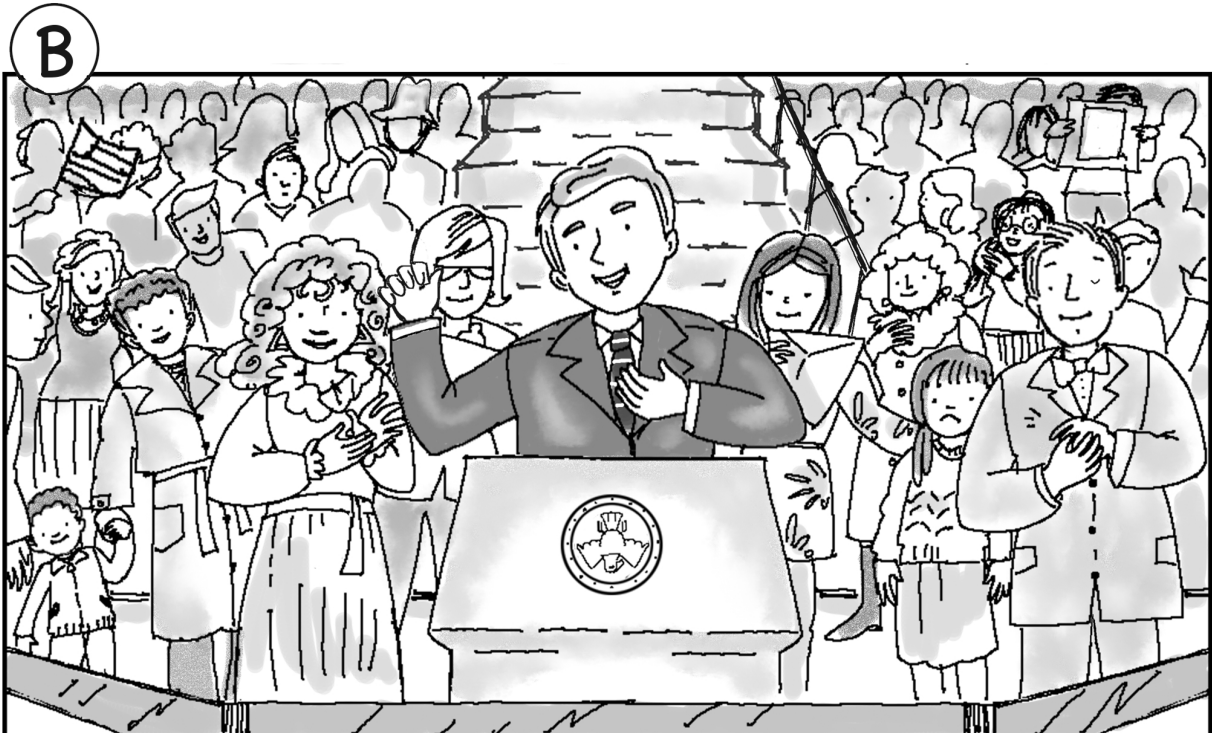
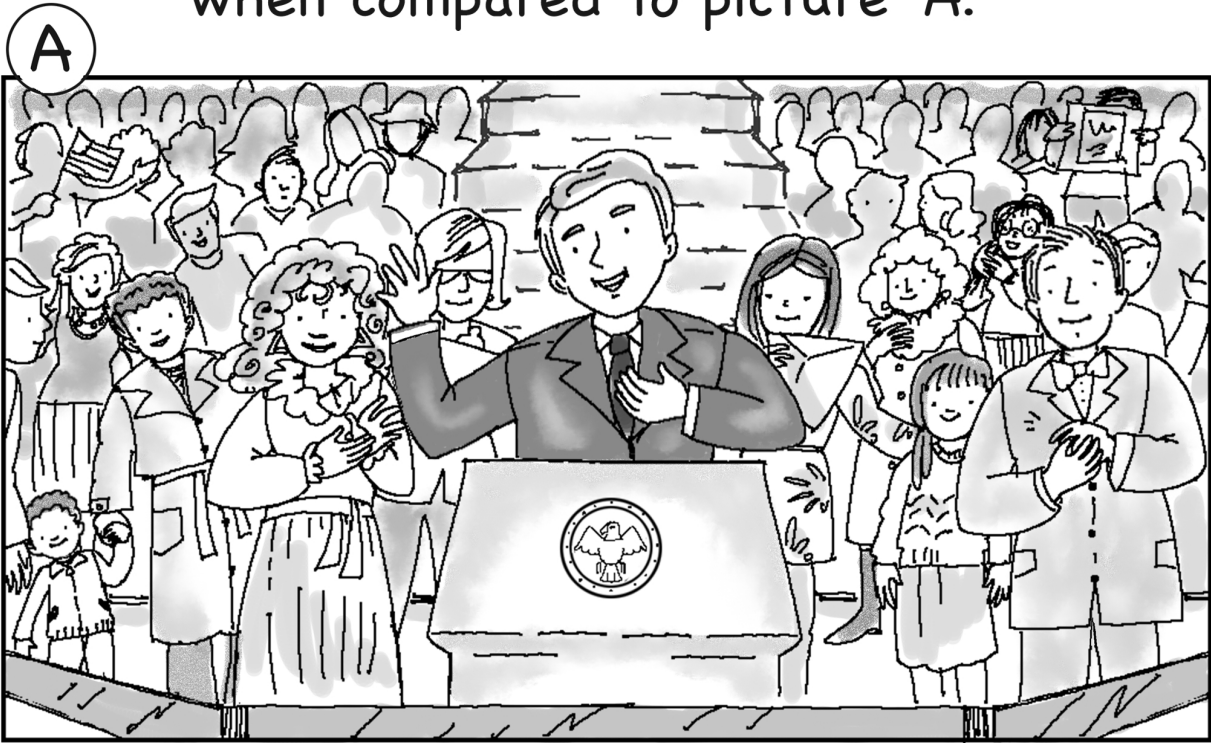


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Inauguration Day is filled with activities and a lot of excitement! The scene below shows many people partaking in this traditional day. Look at both pictures and circle ten differences in picture "B" when compared to picture "A."



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It's almost **Inauguration Day**! On January 20, we get a **new** president.



The new president takes an **oath** to do a good job. People take **oaths** because they care about something **very** much. The President cares about our country **very** much indeed.



Look up what the word "**oath**" means in a dictionary. Write the definition here: \_\_\_\_\_

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Write several complete sentences about why an oath is an important thing for a new president to do:

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Is there anything you would like to take an oath for? That is a big promise! Write about something you would take an oath for. Maybe you can take an oath to feed your cat or walk your dog. It doesn't have to be a national job!

Draw a picture of something you care about very much here:

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## Inaugural Address

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An inaugural address has been part of a new president's Inauguration Day from the very beginning. The first inauguration took place on April 30, 1789. Of course, the day belonged to George Washington. At Federal Hall in New York City, Washington took his oath. Then he gave his speech, the first inaugural address, before Congress. He used his words to express the awe he felt regarding his new role in the country. In Philadelphia in 1793, Washington was inaugurated once again. His speech certainly made the history books the second time. Getting right to the point, he offered the shortest inaugural speech ever. He only included 135 words!



Thus, the inaugural address tradition began! Every president since has given one. The longest inaugural speech was given by William Henry Harrison. That was back in 1841. His speech included 8,445 words. Spectators listened to him talk for one hour and forty-five minutes. On a fair weather day that might have been fine, but it was snowing. After giving such a long speech in bitter weather, Harrison died weeks later of pneumonia.

Other inaugural addresses have been noteworthy for different reasons. John Adams's speech had quite a long sentence. It had 737 words in it! Franklin D. Roosevelt's fourth inaugural address was known for being quite short. That was the way he wanted it to be, though, because the United States was involved in World War II. He wanted to keep it simple.

Most historians agree that Lincoln's second inaugural address in 1865 was the most memorable. Why? Nearing the end of the Civil War, he stated, "With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in, to bind up the nation's wounds, to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and his orphan, to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations." Other famous quotes come from inaugural addresses. Kennedy said, "Ask not what your country can do for you - ask what you can do for your country." Do the words sound familiar?

Now, with modern technology, the speech is carried all over the world. However, it wasn't too long ago that new milestones were achieved. Harding's was the first inaugural speech broadcast through speakers. The first national radio inaugural address was given by Coolidge. If you can't remember a time without TV, imagine how the citizens of the country felt as they watched the first inaugural address to be seen on TV in 1949. It was given by President Truman.

The inaugural address has been given in different locations throughout time. Originally, most were given in the chambers of Congress. Then it moved to the east side of the Capitol for decades. Since 1981, however, the west

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front of the Capitol has been used. Typically, the address is delivered after the oath.

The inaugural address is used to deliver a message. That message is sent to an entire country, and even the world, while all eyes are watching. A vision for the country and an offering of goals are presented. If done well, the speech has the possibility of being quoted and remembered for a long time to come!

## Inaugural Address

### Questions

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- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. The first inaugural address was given by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. Abraham Lincoln
  - B. John Adams
  - C. Bill Clinton
  - D. George Washington
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. The shortest inaugural address was delivered by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. John F. Kennedy
  - B. Ronald Reagan
  - C. George Bush
  - D. George Washington
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. What was unique about the inaugural address given by William Henry Harrison?
  - A. It was the longest one ever.
  - B. It was the shortest one ever.
  - C. He wanted to keep it simple.
  - D. He never gave one.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Which president was known for his inaugural address toward the end of the Civil War?
  - A. John Quincy Adams
  - B. Richard Nixon
  - C. Thomas Jefferson
  - D. Abraham Lincoln
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Which president said, "Ask not what your country can do for you"?
  - A. Thomas Jefferson
  - B. George Washington
  - C. John F. Kennedy
  - D. Abraham Lincoln
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Current tradition dictates that the inaugural address be given after the oath.
  - A. false
  - B. true
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. An inaugural address attempts to capture \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. a vision
  - B. goals
  - C. a national audience
  - D. all of the above

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8. The first inaugural address seen on TV was in \_\_\_\_\_.

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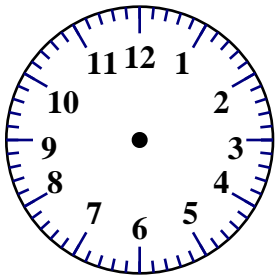
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How many of these can you write about? Think! Write! Check all the ones you answered.

- Which inaugural address do you believe is the most memorable? Why?
- Create a poster highlighting three inaugural addresses.
- What is your opinion on the importance of the inaugural address to the nation?
- Imagine you are the new president. Write your inaugural address.

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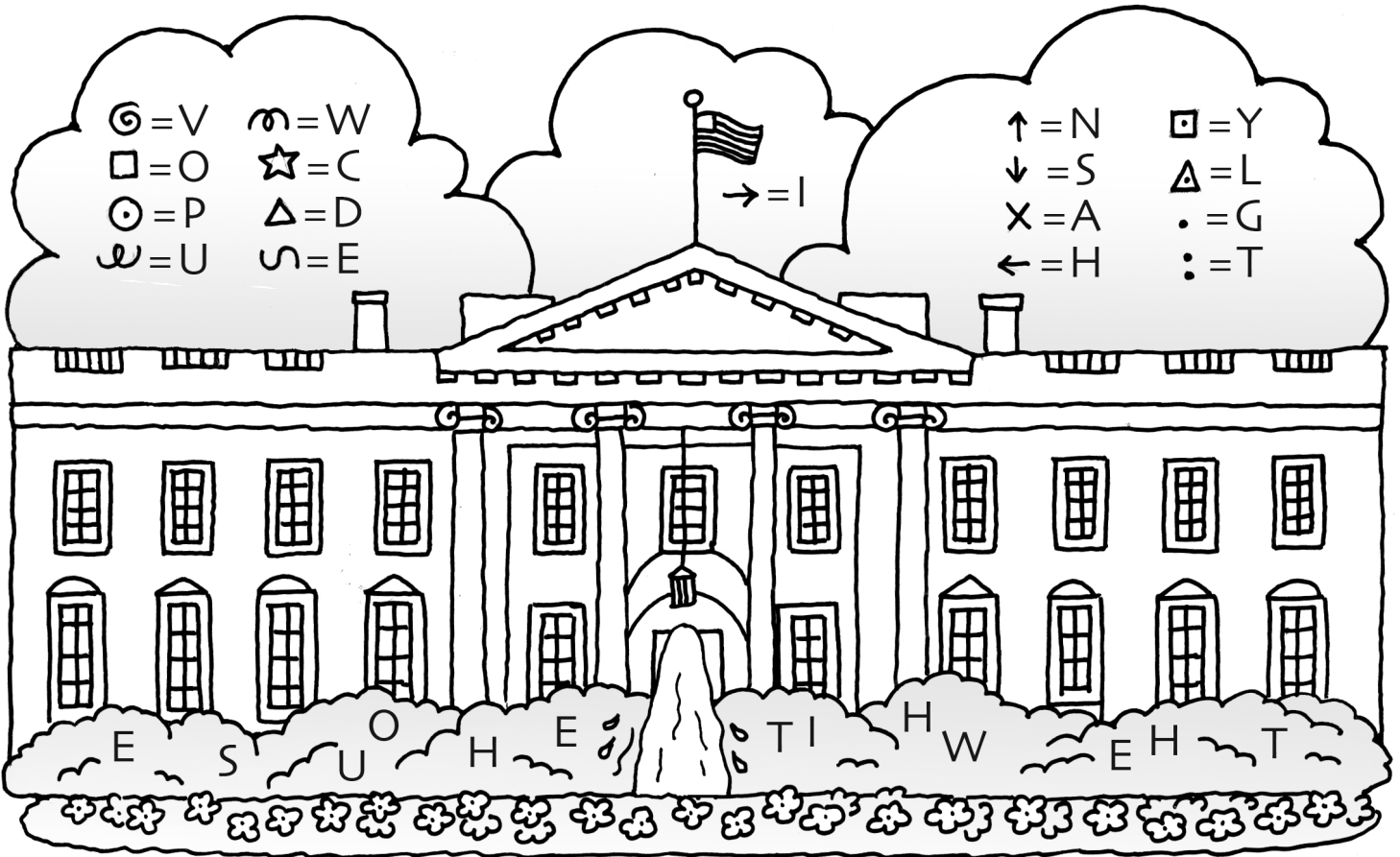
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# New Address

After Inauguration Day, the new president moves his or her family to a new home. Read the name of this majestic house. You will see it written backward in the bushes. Then follow the code to read its address below!



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How much do you know about Inauguration Day?  
Underline the correct answer that will finish  
each sentence.



Inauguration Day is when the elected President  
officially becomes our new...

- a. candidate.                      b. President.                      c. speaker.

The inauguration address is a...



- a. speech given by the new President.      b. a place where the President will live.      c. phone number that connects us to the White House.



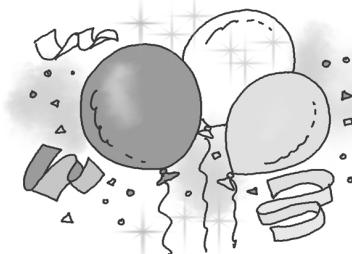
The inaugural oath is part of the...

- a. secret service.                      b. swearing-in ceremonies.                      c. world environmental agreement.



The inaugural parade is when...

- a. people and displays go down an avenue past spectators.      b. a famous circus celebrates its arrival in town.      c. potential presidential pets are shown off.





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## Preserve, Protect, and Defend

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Caption: The inauguration of President George H.W. Bush in 1989

*I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the office of President of the United States, and will to the best of my ability, preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States.* ~ Article II, Section I of the Constitution of the United States of America.



Every four years, Americans head to the voting booth to pick a president. Election Day is at the end of election season when candidates spend millions of dollars campaigning. When a winner has been declared, the preparations for the inauguration begin.

Inauguration Day is held on January 20, a little less than two months after Election Day. The most important thing that happens that day is the swearing in of the new president and vice president. That's when the president-elect recites the oath of office and officially becomes the new president. Every president has repeated the oath of office.

George Washington was the first to take the oath of office on April 30, 1789. Since that time, the presidential inaugurations have been held on March 4, March 5, January 20, and January 21. The Twentieth Amendment to the Constitution - passed in 1933 - set the date and time at noon on January 20.

The inauguration has also been held at many places, most of them in Washington, D.C. In recent history, most have been held on the steps of the United States Capitol Building. While the ceremony's focus is the oaths taken by the president and vice president, there are many parts to the ceremony.

In recent times, inauguration ceremonies have included performances by musicians and singers, readings of poetry, and performances by military bands and color guards. Many people - from politicians to officials from other countries to members of the president's family - crowd the steps of the Capitol.

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court gives the oath of office to the vice president-elect and the president-elect. Once the oath is taken, the country has a new president. After the swearing in, the president gives his first speech - called the inaugural address - to the nation. After the speech, the new president then leads a parade down Pennsylvania Avenue to the White House.

That night, there are lots of parties in and around Washington. Called an inaugural ball, each party is a formal dance and social gathering to celebrate the new president. Many politicians, government officials, and foreign dignitaries attend these parties.

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It's an important day for America that has grown to be one of the biggest events in Washington, D.C. It's something very impressive to see.

Preserve, Protect, and Defend

## Questions

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- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Who was the first president to take the oath of office?
- A. Abraham Lincoln
  - B. George Washington
  - C. John Adams
  - D. Thomas Jefferson
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. What constitutional amendment set the date and time for the inauguration?
- A. Twentieth
  - B. Twenty-First
  - C. Eighteenth
  - D. Third
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. On what date and at what time is the inauguration held now?
- A. January 20 at noon
  - B. November 3 at noon
  - C. January 3 at noon
  - D. November 20 at noon
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. George Washington was inaugurated in New York City, but most inaugurations have been held in:
- A. Dallas, Texas
  - B. Washington, D. C.
  - C. Plymouth, Massachusetts
  - D. Tallahassee, Florida
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. What document does the new president swear to protect, preserve, and defend to the best of his ability?
- A. the Rules of Regency
  - B. the Declaration of Independence
  - C. the Motor Vehicle Code
  - D. the Constitution of the United States

6. Who else takes the oath of office on Inauguration Day?

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7. What is an inaugural ball?

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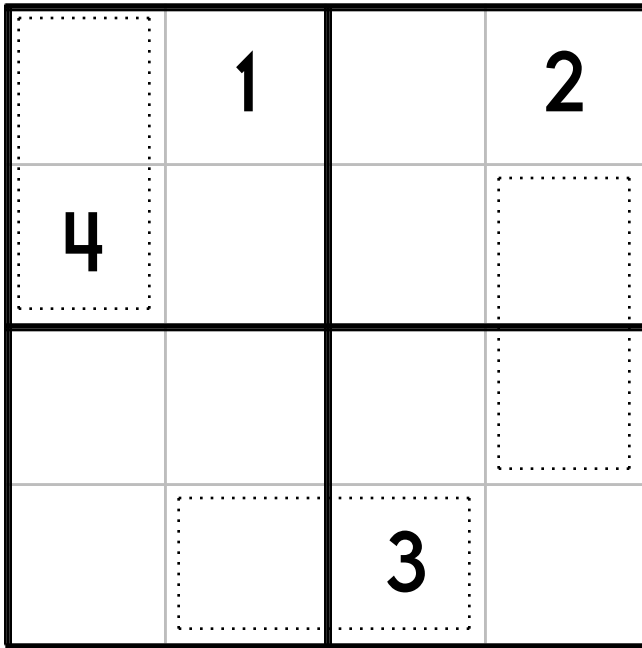
8. There are only ten amendments to the Constitution of the United States.

- A. true
- B. false

### Sudoku Sums of 7

Each row, column, and box must have the numbers 1 through 4.  
Hint: Look for sudoku sums. The sum of the two boxes inside of the dashed lines is 7.

Here is an example of a sudoku sum of 7:



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Thornton Wilder's birthday is 9 days after Gavin's birthday. Gavin's birthday is March 26. On what date is Thornton Wilder's birthday?

$9 + \square = 17$

$4 + \square = 7$

$6 + \square = 14$

$6 + \square = 12$

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How many of these can you write about? Think! Write! Check all the ones you answered.

- Would you like to attend a presidential inauguration? Tell why or why not.
- If you were President of the United States, what would you do first? Explain why.
- Would you like to be President of the United States? Tell why or why not.
- If you could talk to the president, what would you tell him?

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Don't stop writing. Use a blank piece of paper to continue.

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**Inauguration Day**  
can sure make  
everyone hungry!

After the ceremony, there is a congressional luncheon.

Yummy! Imagine that you have been asked to create the **incredible** menu for this **important** meal. Fill in the menu and draw pictures for your selections. It can be a **fun** menu with hot dogs and ice cream if that is what you like best!



# Inauguration Menu

Appetizer:

Main Course:

Draw your fantastic appetizer here.  
Make it patriotic if you want!

Draw your stupendous main course here:

Dessert:

Draw your amazing dessert here:

Beverage:

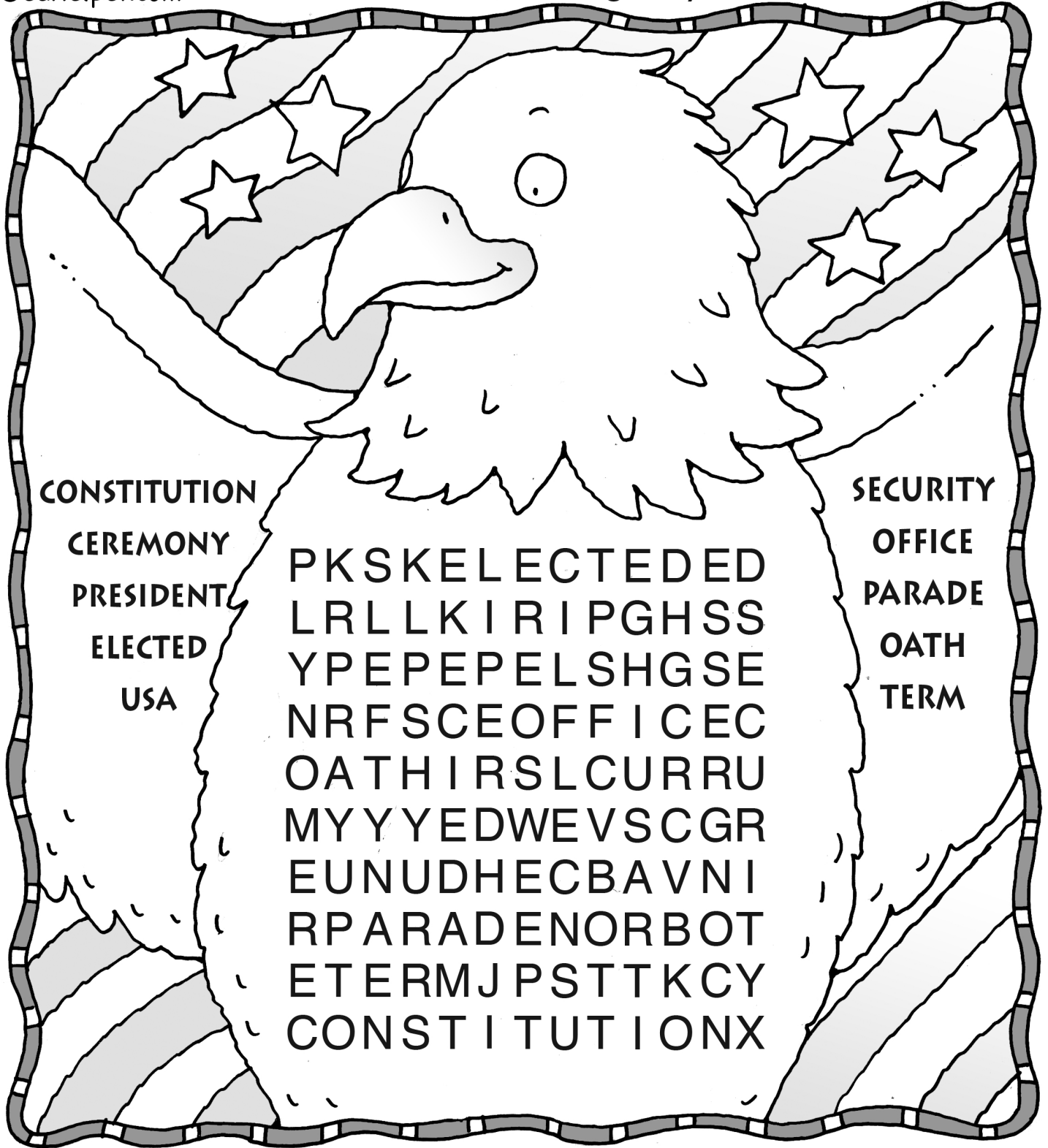
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# INAUGURATION

Find and circle the words associated with an inauguration. Look up, down, across, and diagonally.

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 CEREMONY  
 PRESIDENT  
 ELECTED  
 USA

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 NRFSCOFFICEC  
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# The Presidential Inauguration

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*Caption: A large crowd of people witness the second swearing-in ceremony of President George W. Bush at the U.S. Capitol Jan. 20, 2005.*



The U.S.A. elects a president once every four years. The election is always held in November. The president-elect is usually sworn in as the president on January 20. This is called an inauguration (in-aw-gyuh-RAY-shun). It has several important parts.

First comes the oath of office. The president-elect stands on the steps of the U.S. Capitol. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court tells him to place his left hand on the Bible and raise his right hand. Then comes the oath. It is like a pledge. "I, (name), do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the office of president of the United States, and will to the best of my ability, preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States." It has become tradition for each president-elect to end the oath with the words "so help me God."

Once the Chief Justice congratulates (kuhn-GRACH-uh-lates) the president, the band plays "Hail to the Chief." There is also a 21-gun salute. Then the president gives his inaugural address. This is a speech about his plans for the future of the U.S.A. After that, it's time to eat, and the president enjoys his inaugural luncheon with both houses of Congress.

The next part of the inauguration is the inaugural parade. It will feature the U.S. military corps, floats, and the president. The parade runs from the U.S. Capitol to the White House. The White House will be the president's home for as long as he is the president of the United States.

That evening there are formal parties for the president. We call them the inaugural balls. There will be a number of these celebrations. Bill Clinton's 1997 inauguration had a record of fourteen inaugural balls! People dress up in fancy gowns and tuxedos to dance. Gowns worn by wives of presidents to the inaugural balls are put on display in a museum in Washington, D.C.! The inaugural ball is a special way to honor the president of the United States.

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The Presidential Inauguration

## Questions

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- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Which of these occurs first on Inauguration Day?
- A. the inaugural address
  - B. the inaugural gala
  - C. the oath of office
  - D. the inaugural parade
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. What is a synonym for the word *oath*?
- A. salute
  - B. pledge
  - C. address
  - D. congratulate
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. What is an inaugural address?
- A. the president's first speech to the nation
  - B. the place where the parade starts
  - C. the location of the president's new home
  - D. all of the above
4. Where does the inaugural parade end?

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5. The inauguration of a new president of the United States usually takes place on \_\_\_\_\_.

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Practice writing each word in cursive.

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# Inauguration Information

The presidential inauguration is an important ceremony for our country! Test your knowledge of this event by making lines from the "striped" questions to their correct "star" answers.

**Who**

does it involve?



On the Capitol Building's steps

**What**

does it signify?



To celebrate the voters' choice for President of the United States

**Where**

does it happen?



Our new President, new Vice President, Supreme Court members, senators, and representatives

**Why**

does it happen?



January 20th  
However, if that date falls on a Sunday, it is delayed for a day.

**When**

does it happen?



The beginning of our new President's term in office