

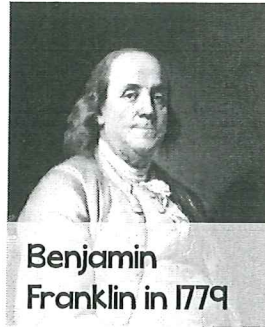
Great People in U.S. History

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Chapter 1



Benjamin Franklin in 1779

Benjamin Franklin

Benjamin Franklin was born in Boston in 1706. He grew up to become one of the founding fathers of the United States. He helped write the Constitution.

Benjamin Franklin was also a famous scientist! He helped discover electricity. He even wrote a book on electricity!

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SCIENCE DISCOVERIES

The scientist, Benjamin Franklin designed important experiments that helped discover electricity. One experiment had a key attached to a kite. It was then flown in a lightning storm. This showed that lightning was actually a form of electricity.



LOVE OF BOOKS

Benjamin Franklin loved books. As a child, he wanted to be a book publisher. When he was older, he printed important newspapers and created the *Poor Richard's Almanac* which is a very important book that farmers used to figure out when to plant their crops. He also founded and created the first library where people shared their books for free.

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A GREAT HELP TO HIS COUNTRY

Benjamin Franklin is most famous for being a founding father of United States of America. He signed the Declaration of Independence. He helped write the U.S. constitution. He also wrote articles to support the new country.

In 1790 he died in Philadelphia, which is in the U.S.A., the country he helped create.

Question: Do you know who is on the \$100 bill?



Answer: Benjamin Franklin

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RI.3.5

1. What are three text features used in the passage? Describe how the text feature used can help the reader to better understand the text.

Name of text feature...	How does this text feature help the reader to better understand the text?

2.  Color the subheading that will help you find information about Benjamin Franklin's science discoveries.

Make up a different subheading that could be used for this section?

3.  Color the part of the text that could help you find information about a person in U.S. History named Frederick Douglas.

4. On which page does the Glossary begin? _____

5. Underline three important words in the text.

6. Summarize what you learned about Benjamin Franklin.

Complete Sentences	Cite the Evidence	Restate the Question
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7. Write three questions where the answer could be found in the text. Then find the answer to your question and color it.

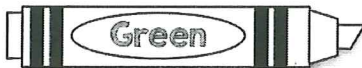
1. _____

Color the answer to your question



2. _____

Color the answer to your question



3. _____

Color the answer to your question



RI.3.2

8. Write one WORD that describes the main idea of the text: _____

9. What are three key details in the text that support the main idea?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

10. Describe HOW one of these key details supports the main idea.

RI.3.4

11. Find the underlined word, founded in the text. Use the context clues to explain what this word means. Circle the words in the text that are a clue to the meaning of the word.
