

# Kid Scoop

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## Presidential Pets



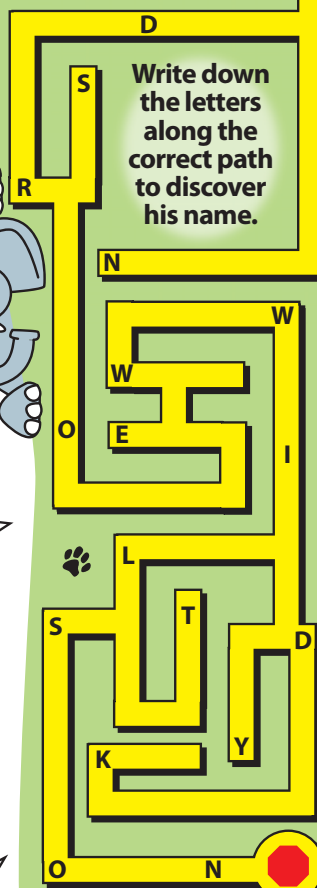
**M**et Bo and Sunny! They are the Obama family's pet Portuguese water dogs. The family carefully researched which kind of dog to get because of Malia's allergies.

U.S. presidents have had many different kinds of pets. Dogs, mice, parrots and even bears have made a home at the White House. This week's Kid Scoop page celebrates Presidents Day by getting to know some of these pets.

### Wooly Weeders

During World War I, this president kept a herd of sheep on the White House lawn to cut the grass!

Write down the letters along the correct path to discover his name.



### First Presidents Pets

George Washington had 36 hounds and horses. Circle every other letter to discover another special pet.

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### Unusual Pets

Calvin Coolidge, the 30th president, had a pet raccoon that he walked on a leash. And Herbert Hoover had a pet opossum. Unscramble the letters to see what explorers Lewis and Clark gave to Thomas Jefferson.



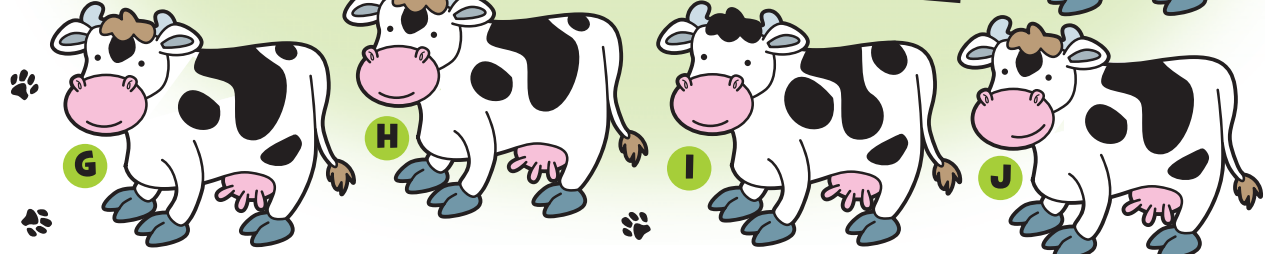
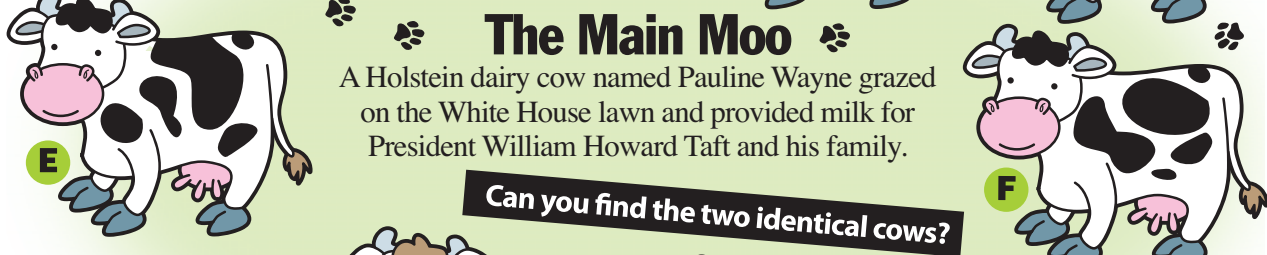
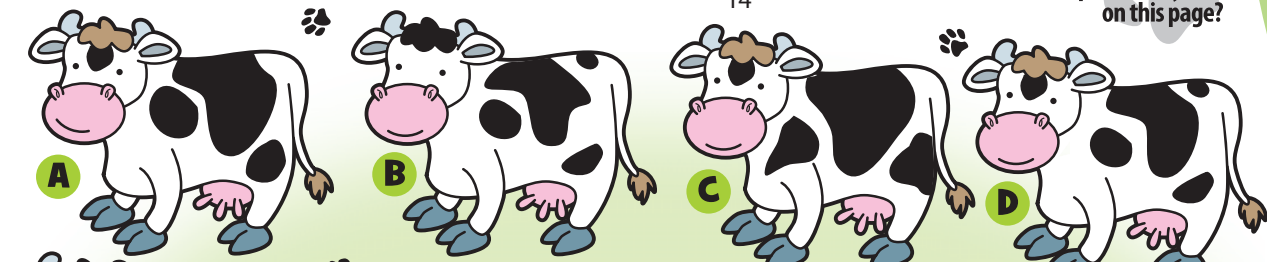
John Quincy Adams kept silkworms as pets. Connect the dots to see the not-so-cuddly reptile he also owned.



James Buchanan had an elephant and an eagle!

Martin Van Buren had a pair of tiger cubs!

W O T A E B R S



### The Main Moo

A Holstein dairy cow named Pauline Wayne grazed on the White House lawn and provided milk for President William Howard Taft and his family.

Can you find the two identical cows?

**Extra! Extra!**

### YOU are the President!

Imagine that you have just been elected president of the United States. Look through the newspaper and find things you can use to do your job that were not available to Abraham Lincoln or George Washington.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

Replace the missing words.



### Spy Dog?

In June of 1961, Caroline Kennedy, \_\_\_\_\_ of President Kennedy, was \_\_\_\_\_ a little dog by Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev. It was named **Pushinka** which means **fluffy** in Russian. Pushinka's mother was Strelka, the first dog sent into \_\_\_\_\_ by the Russians in August of 1960. Pushinka had to be \_\_\_\_\_ before she could come to the White House. Officials wanted to be sure the dog was not "bugged" with any \_\_\_\_\_ listening devices, microphones, bombs, or germs.

### Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

- WASHINGTON
- LINCOLN
- WILSON
- KENNEDY
- DEVICES
- RACCOON
- COW
- DOG
- HOUSE
- HORSES
- FAMILY
- PET
- HERD
- JOB



Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

### FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

#### Letter to the Editor

Select and read a letter to the editor of your newspaper. Make a list of facts and opinions in the letter. Does it contain more facts or opinions? Do you agree or disagree with the writer? Give reasons for your opinion.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information



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