



Timeline



Interesting Quote

Interesting Fact

Vocabulary Builder



Comprehension and Multiple Choice

(This section's questions correspond to the Guess or Mess episode. Play along!)

Circle the best answer or write the response on the line for each of the following questions.

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 - b. Handsome Frank
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2. Pierce was a lifelong friend of which famous author?

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4. Pierce was a Northerner but was close to many Southern politicians. What 19th-century movement did Pierce strongly oppose?
 - a. Impressionist movement
 - b. Transcendental movement
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5. What tragedy did Pierce and his wife Jane suffer just before he became president?
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 - a. Kansas-Nebraska Act
 - b. Alien and Sedition Acts
 - c. Iowa-Missouri Act

8. During Pierce's presidency, violence broke out in Kansas between supporters and opposers of slavery. What was this situation called?
 - a. Crying Kansas
 - b. Weeping Kansas
 - c. Bleeding Kansas

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