

2017 Great Americans

	Great American	Years	Known For	Reference
1	<u>Adams, John Quincy</u>	1767-1848	6th President	Great diplomat, formulating what became the Monroe Doctrine
2	<u>Adams, Samuel</u>	1722-1803	Congress	1773-Boston Tea Resistance/Congress 1781
3	<u>Addams, Jane</u>	1860-1935	Women's Suffrage	Social Worker, Woman Suffrage Leader, and Peace Activist
4	<u>Ali, Muhammad</u>	1942-2016	Athlete	Professional Boxer and Activist
5	<u>Anthony, Susan B.</u>	1820-1906	Women's Suffrage	Reformer/Leader of the Campaign for Women's Rights
6	<u>Barton, Clara</u>	1821-1912	Superintendent of Army Nurses	Founder of the American Red Cross/Humanitarian/Civil War Nurse
7	<u>Brown, John</u>	1800-1859	Abolitionist	Helped indirectly to bring on the American Civil War
8	<u>Carnegie, Andrew</u>	1835-1919	Steel Manufacturer	Establish many cultural, educational, and scientific institutions
9	<u>Carver, George Washington</u>	1864-1943	African American Scientist	Won international fame for his agricultural research.
10	<u>Chamberlain, Joshua L.</u>	1828-1914	Union Officer	Civil War Union Army Officer/Gov. of Maine 1867 to 1871
11	<u>Chavez, Cesar</u>	1927-1993	Labor Union Organizer	Spokesman for the Poor esp. Mexican Am./Supported Non-Violence
12	<u>Dix, Dorothea</u>	1802-1887	Army Nurse	State Hospitals for the Mentally Ill/Improve Prison Conditions
13	<u>Douglass, Frederick</u>	1818-1895	Reformer/Author/Orator	He devoted his life to the abolition of slavery and the fight for black rights.
14	<u>Edison, Thomas</u>	1847-1931	Inventor	One of the greatest inventors and technological innovators in history.
15	<u>Edwards, Jonathan</u>	1703-1758	Puritan Minister	One of the leading intellectual figure. in colonial America.
16	<u>Eisenhower, Dwight D.</u>	1890-1969	34th President	WWII Commanding General/Korea/Cold War
17	<u>Ellington, Duke</u>	1899-1974	Jazz Musician	American Jazz Bandleader, Composer, and Pianist
18	<u>Ford, Henry</u>	1863-1947	Auto Manufacturer	Revolutionized automobile industry using assembly line production.
19	<u>Franklin, Benjamin</u>	1706-1790	Founding Father	He's only person who signed all four key documents in American history.
20	<u>Geronimo</u>	1829-1909	Chiricahua Apache Warrior	He defended his land and people against attacks by settlers and soldiers.
21	<u>Grant, Ulysses S.</u>	1822-1885	18th President	Served 2 Terms as President/Commanded Civil War Union Armies
22	<u>Hamilton, Alexander</u>	1755-1804	Statesman	1st Secretary of the Treasury/Leader of the Federalist Party
23	<u>Houston, Sam</u>	1793-1863	Texas Governor & Senator	Texas's independence from Mexico
24	<u>Jackson, Andrew</u>	1767-1845	7th President	War of 1812 General/Founded the Democratic Party
25	<u>Jefferson, Thomas</u>	1743-1826	3rd President	Leader in American Revolution/Author of Declaration of Independence
26	<u>Jobs, Steve</u>	1955-2011	Computers	1976-Co-Founded Apple computers with Steve Wozniak.
27	<u>Joseph, Chief</u>	1840-1904	Nez Perce Indian Chief	Led retreat through Idaho and Montana in 1877.
28	<u>Keller, Helen</u>	1880-1968	Conquered Physical Disabilities	Appeared before legislature, gave lectures, wrote many books and articles.
29	<u>Kennedy, John F.</u>	1917-1963	35th President	"New Frontier" Program/Started the Thaw of the Cold War
30	<u>King Jr., Martin Luther</u>	1929-1968	Baptist Minister/Civil Rights	1964 Nobel Peace Prize for leading nonviolent civil rights demonstrations.
31	<u>Lee, Robert E.</u>	1807-1870	Confederate Army General	Admired & respected by both Northerners & Southerners in Civil War.
32	<u>Lincoln, Abraham</u>	1809-1865	16th President	He led the United States during the American Civil War
33	<u>Madison, James</u>	1751-1835	4th President	Father of the Constitution/Checks and Balances
34	<u>Marshall, John</u>	1755-1835	4th Chief Justice	Established the Supreme Court as branch of the federal government.
35	<u>Marshall, Thurgood</u>	1908-1993	Supreme Court Justice	1st African American justice on the Supreme Court of the United States.
36	<u>Muir, John</u>	1838-1914	Explorer/Naturalist/Writer	Campaigned for the conservation of land, water, and forests in the U.S.
37	<u>Oppenheimer, J. Robert</u>	1904-1967	Father of the Atomic Bomb	1942-The Manhattan Project in Los Alamos, NM.
38	<u>Parks, Rosa</u>	1913-2005	Civil Rights Activist	1955 boycott of the Montgomery, Alabama, bus system.
39	<u>Poe, Edgar Allan</u>	1809-1849	Poet	Poet/Short-Story Writer/Literary Critic
40	<u>Reagan, Ronald</u>	1911-2004	40th President	Signed a treaty to reduce U.S. and Soviet nuclear arms in 1987.
41	<u>Robinson, Jackie</u>	1919-1972	Major League Baseball	WWII Army Soldier/1st African Am. Breaking the racial barrier
42	<u>Roosevelt, Eleanor</u>	1884-1962	Human Rights Activist	She was one of the most active first ladies in American history.
43	<u>Roosevelt, Franklin D.</u>	1882-1942	32nd President	Elected president four times and occupied the White House for over 12 years.
44	<u>Roosevelt, Theodore</u>	1788-1812	26th President	Became a national hero during the Spanish-American War in 1898.
45	<u>Sacagawea</u>	1858-1920	Explorer/Shoshone Interpreter	Only woman on the Lewis and Clark expedition into the American West.
46	<u>Sitting Bull</u>	1834-1890	Lakota war and spiritual leader	Battle of the Little Bighorn/Victory Over Custer
47	<u>Tubman, Harriet</u>	1820-1913	Abolitionist	Civil War/Underground Railroad/Helped Hundreds of Slaves Escape
48	<u>Twain, Mark</u>	1835-1910	Author	Samuel Langhorne Clemens/American Fiction Author/Humorist
49	<u>Washington, George</u>	1732-1799	1st President	"Father of the Country"/Led American Revolution
50	<u>Williams, Roger</u>	1603-1683	Clergy/Founded Rhode Island	Founder of the Colony of Rhode Island/Separation of Church & State
51	<u>Young, Brigham</u>	1801-1877	Mormon Leader/Gov. of Utah	He became the Mormon leader in 1844.