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Who was the first Second Lady of the United States?

Abigail Adams was the wife of John Adams, the first vice president of the United States. This made her the first Second Lady of the United States. Abigail Adams was born in Massachusetts. Her father was the pastor of a congregation.

Young Abigail studied at home. She loved to read history books. When she grew up, she married John Adams, the future president of the United States. Her husband went to work in Philadelphia. So Abigail and John wrote many letters. During the years, they wrote over 1,000 letters to each other.

Abigail was against slavery and believed in equal rights for all people, including blacks and women.

Abigail and John Adams had six children. One of them, John Quincy Adams, also became the president of the United States.

November, 1744 – October, 1818

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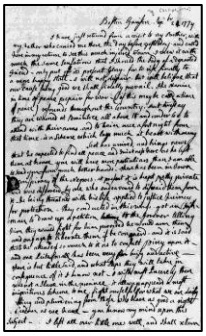

1. Where was Abigail Adams born?
   a. Philadelphia
   b. New York
   c. Massachusetts
   d. Texas

2. Abigail Adams loved to read _____ books.
   a. cooking
   b. history
   c. folk tales
   d. philosophy

3. John Adams went to work in _____.
   a. Philadelphia
   b. Canada
   c. New York
   d. Argentina

4. How many children did John and Abigail Adams have?
   a. one
   b. two
   c. four
   d. six

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