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FREDERICK DOUGLASS

Read the passage about Frederick Douglass and answer the questions.



Frederick Douglass was born around 1818 and grew up in Maryland. As a young boy, he was an enslaved person, which means he wasn't free and had to work very hard without any choice. But Frederick was very smart and learned to read and write secretly, which was a brave thing to do because slaves were not allowed to learn these things.

When he grew up, Frederick escaped to a place where he could be free. He then worked very hard to help other slaves become free too.

He wrote books, gave speeches, and even advised President Abraham Lincoln, the President of the United States, on how to help slaves gain their freedom. This was a very important job!

Frederick Douglass is remembered for his bravery and for fighting for freedom and fairness for all people, no matter what color their skin is.

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1 What was life like for Frederick Douglass when he was a child?

2 What did Frederick Douglass do to help slaves become free?

3 Why is Frederick Douglass an important person in history?
