

The Tallest Man In The World

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Study the questions and answers below. Just think about the possible answers for the blanks, discuss with your family members, classmates or teachers:

When was he born?
In February (1) _____ in Alton, Illinois, in the USA.



Where did he grow up and go to school?
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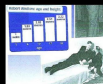
Did he have any brothers and sisters?
Yes, he did. He was the oldest of five children. He had (2) _____ and (3) _____.
They were all a (4) _____ height.

At what age did he leave school?
He left school when he was (5) _____.

Did he go to university?
Yes, he did, but he left and he didn't get a qualification.

How did he become famous?
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What did people call him? People called him the Giant of Illinois or the Gentle Giant because he (6) _____ very quietly.



Where did he get a job?
He got a job with the shoe company that made his special shoes.



Did he get married and have children?
No, he didn't.

Did he travel much?
Yes, he did. He visited (7) _____ different towns in the USA when he travelled for the shoe company.



When did he die? He died at the age of (8) _____ because of a problem with one of his (9) _____.

Read the text about Robert Wadlow and check the meaning of the phrases in blue. Write the past simple form of the verbs. Listen and check.

Example:

- grow up - _____
- go to school - _____
- leave school - _____
- go to university - _____
- get a qualification - _____

Example:

- get a job - _____
- get married - _____
- have children - _____
- travel - _____
- die - _____

Do you think people in the USA liked or disliked Robert? Listen to a podcast about him and check your answer.



I think people in the USA _____ Robert.

Listen again and complete 1-9 in the text.



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