DAILY Warm-Up 9

Name _____ Date _____

ABIGAIL ADAMS

Have you ever heard of President Adams? You've probably heard of him twice. There were actually two presidents with the same last name. That's because they were father and son. The wife and mother of these two presidents was Abigail Adams. This was the first time anything like this happened. Abigail is one of the most admired first ladies.

Abigail was born in Weymouth, Massachusetts. She never went to school, but she was very smart. She raised four children. She also ran the farm, and was widely known for her fight for American independence. She was asked her opinion many times on events taking place during Colonial times.

Abigail's husband, John Adams, was elected president of the United States in 1796. He was the second president. He and his wife were the first to live in the White House. John was not reelected, and so he and his wife returned to the farm. Abigail lived a great life, but she would not live long enough to see her son, John Quincy Adams, elected the sixth president of the United States.

STORY QUESTIONS

1. How does the author feel about Abigail Adams?
   a. She was a typical first lady.
   b. She was an intelligent and admired first lady.
   c. She died before she saw her son become president.
   d. She ran a farm and fought for American independence.

2. Which statement supports the author's opinion of Abigail Adams?
   a. She was asked her opinion on events taking place during Colonial times.
   b. Abigail Adams was the wife and mother of a president.
   c. She never went to school, but she was very smart.
   d. Abigail was the first wife of the president to live in the White House.

3. The third paragraph informs the reader about . . .
   a. Abigail's life on the farm.
   b. Abigail's life in Massachusetts.
   c. Abigail's work for American independence.
   d. Abigail's life as wife and later mother of the president of the United States.

4. Where might this information about Abigail most likely be found?
   a. in a book about the Revolutionary War
   b. in a pamphlet about the president of the United States
   c. on a website about the presidents of the United States and their wives
   d. on a website about bad women of the United States

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