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The Making of a President



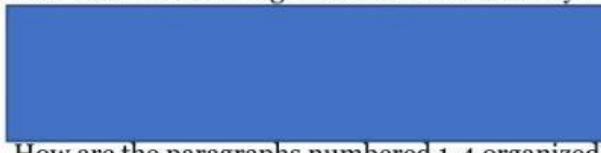
Scientists and Artists Build Washington

Photography did not exist in George Washington's lifetime. So how do we know what he looked like? Recently, a team of experts led by scientist Jeffrey Schwartz used historical evidence, or clues, to build a statue of Washington at age 45. Here's how the team did it.

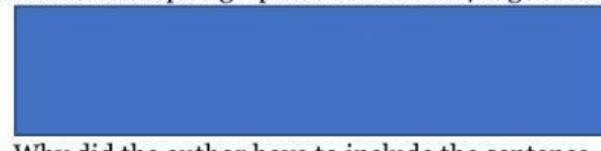
1. The team began by scanning a mold of Washington's face into a computer. A sculptor had made the mold of the 53-year-old Washington's face in 1785. Washington's dentures, or false teeth, showed the shape of his mouth.
2. Once the team had an idea of what Washington's face looked like at age 53, sculptors re-created the face to show what it would have looked like at age 45. The nose and ears continue to grow during adulthood, so those features were sculpted smaller.
3. Painters added color to the statue based on historical documents that depict Washington with pale skin and grayish blue eyes.
4. The statue was placed in an exhibit that shows Washington leading his troops during the long winter at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, in 1777.

Choose the correct answer:

1. Which of the following tools was **not** necessary to complete the project?



2. How are the paragraphs numbered 1-4 organized?



3. Why did the author have to include the sentence, “photography did not exist in George Washington’s lifetime?”



4. The definition of mold, as noted in the footnote, is a “mask made from the **imprint** of a person’s face.”



5. What is the author’s purpose in “The Making of a President?”



6. The question below is an incomplete sentence. Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

The team displayed patience and ingenuity in their project, and their hard work _____ paid off with an accurate statue of George Washington.

