

# Abraham Lincoln and the Gettysburg Address

## Reading List

### A Brief Reading List: Adult and Juvenile

*Note that presence on this list does not constitute endorsement by the NSDAR of any of these reading resources. The references are provided for information only and readers are recommended to explore the literature to develop their own lists.*

### Adult Reading

Boritt, Gabor. **The Gettysburg Gospel: The Lincoln Speech That Nobody Knows.**

Simon & Schuster, 2006. Written by the Director of the Civil War Institute at Gettysburg College.

Boritt, Gabor. "For Us the Living." *American History*. Feb. 2007, V. 41, No. 6. Pp. 22-29.

Graham, Kent. **November: Lincoln's Elegy at Gettysburg.** Indiana University Press, 2001.

Hoch, Bradley R. and Boritt, Gabor S. **The Lincoln Trail in Pennsylvania.**

Pennsylvania State University Press, 2001.

Kunhardt, Philip B., Jr. **A New Birth of Freedom – Lincoln at Gettysburg.** Boston:

Little, Brown, 1983.

Olson, Steven P. **Lincoln's Gettysburg Address: A Primary Source Investigation.**

The Rosen Publishing Group, 2005. Useful for developing history and social studies curricula; examines the context and meaning of the speech, as well as the social and political issues, among other issues.

McPherson, James. **Abraham Lincoln and the Second American Revolution.**

Oxford University Press, USA, 1992. Collection of seven essays by a pre-eminent historian.

Wills, Garry. **Lincoln at Gettysburg: The Words That Remade America.** Touchstone

Books, 1993. Pulitzer Prize-winning book.

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## Juvenile Reading

Alter, Judy. **Abraham Lincoln**. Enslow Publishers, May 2002. A biography of the president responsible for the Emancipation Proclamation, Gettysburg Address, and more. Includes Internet links to Web sites, source documents, and photographs related to Abraham Lincoln. Ages 9-12.

Armstrong, Jennifer (author) and Lorenz, Albert (Illustrator). **A Three-Minute Speech: Lincoln's Remarks at Gettysburg**. Aladdin, 2003. Rated for Ages 9-12. A lively introduction to the Gettysburg Address; includes a bibliography of sources and a list of recommended Web sites.

Freedman, Russell, **Lincoln: A Photobiography**. Houghton Mifflin, 1989. This Newbery Award-winning study of our 16th president is highly readable and meticulously organized.

Collard, Sneed B. **Abraham Lincoln: A Courageous Leader** (American Heroes). Benchmark Books, 2006. Rated for Grade 3–5. A basic, accurate overview featuring interesting and relevant facts about Lincoln's life while clearly relating his contributions to American history.

Graves, Karen M. **Abraham Lincoln** (The Importance Of Series). Lucent Books, 2002.

Hale, Sarah Elder (editor). **Abraham Lincoln: Defender of the Union** (Cobblestone the Civil War). Cobblestone, 2005. Rated for Grade 4-6. Covers Lincoln's childhood and courtship of wife Mary Todd; his family life; the politics surrounding the Civil War; how he attempted to sustain the Union.

January, Brendan. **The Assassination of Abraham Lincoln** (Cornerstones of Freedom). Children's Press (CT), March 1999.

Judson, Karen. **Abraham Lincoln: "This Nation Shall Have a New Birth of Freedom"** (Americans the Spirit of a Nation). Enslow Publishers; Revised edition, January 2008.

Kops, Deborah. **Abraham Lincoln** (The Triangle Histories of the Civil War: Presidents). Blackbirch Press, 2001. Rated for Grade 6-9. Focuses on the war years. Includes lists of suggested readings and Web sites for additional information.

Marrin, Albert. **Commander in Chief: Abraham Lincoln and the Civil War**. Dutton, 1997; Dutton Juvenile, 2003. Rated Grade 6 and up. Explains differences between

mid-19<sup>th</sup> c. political and social customs and that of ours today. Includes a notes section and additional reading suggestions.

McCurdy, Michael, illus. Wills, Garry, foreword. **The Gettysburg Address by Abraham Lincoln**. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1995. Large-scale, black-and-white woodcuts illustrate Lincoln's words.

Mitchell, Judy (editor); Rife, Douglas M.. **History Speaks: Gettysburg Address**. Teaching & Learning Co., 1997. Grades 4-8. Presents one of the most eloquent arguments in history for American democracy. Includes activities for students to investigate this speech. Six activities help students understand Lincoln, the Battle of Gettysburg, and how this address was received in contemporary accounts.

Sloate, Susan. **Abraham Lincoln: The Freedom President** (Great Lives Series). Ballantine Books, 1989. Ages 9-12. The life and times of America's most famous champion of liberty, who preserved the Union.