

LINCOLN PENNIES

Everyone has seen Lincoln's face on shiny new pennies. Cut several large circles from light-brown construction paper. Use this pattern to trace Lincoln's profile in the center of each circle. Display the pennies on the class bulletin board.

LINCOLN SILHOUETTE

Cut Lincoln's silhouette from colored construction paper. Now, cut the silhouette into several puzzle pieces. Put the pieces in an envelope. As students complete their class work, give them the puzzle to reassemble at their desks.

LOG CABINS

Make clever Lincoln Log Cabins with small milk cartons and an ample supply of stick pretzels. Ask each child to glue the pretzels to the four sides of their milk carton. Have them break the pretzels the proper length to fit the sides. Add bright red construction paper roofs to the finished cabins.

READING LIKE LINCOLN

As a child and young man, Lincoln loved to sit by the fire and read various stories and books. Some of his favorite stories were from *Aesop's Fables*. Read one or two of these fables to your class and discuss how these stories may have inspired Lincoln in the way he viewed his fellow man and life in general.

FAMOUS QUOTES

Lincoln was famous for his wit and insight. Write several of his quotations on the class chalkboard and ask students to write their feelings about what Lincoln meant and perhaps what significance it might have for the world today.

Here are a few of Lincoln's quotes:

"No man has a good enough memory to be a successful liar."

"Better to remain silent and be thought a fool than to speak out and remove all doubt."

"Killing the dog does not cure the bite."

"As I would not be a slave, so I would not be a master."

"It is true that you may fool all the people some of the time; you can even fool some of the people all of the time; but you can't fool all of the people all of the time."

"Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves."

Lincoln Activities