



Junior Ranger Activity Book





Welcome to Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial

The National Park Service manages nearly 400 parks, monuments, and historical sites in the United States. Park rangers protect all natural and cultural resources for the enjoyment of present and future generations.

Being a Lincoln Boyhood Junior Ranger is a special privilege and an honor. As a Junior Ranger you will:

- Take care of Lincoln Boyhood and other national parks.
- Explore Lincoln Boyhood and learn more about its history.
- Bring fun facts home to share with family and friends.

To Become a Lincoln Boyhood Junior Ranger

Complete activities in this booklet indicated by your age level below:

- 6 years of age and under..... 5 pages
- Ages 7 to 10.....8 pages
- Ages 11 and up.....all pages

Return the completed booklet to the Memorial Visitor Center for review by a park ranger to receive your Junior Ranger award.

The Junior Ranger Program at Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial invites you to explore the:
Memorial Visitor Center and Museum
Park Orientation Film
Pioneer Cemetery
Cabin Site Memorial
Living Historical Farm
and the Park Trails.

As you explore, be sure to visit different areas of the park and enjoy your Junior Ranger adventure. There is much to discover in YOUR national park.



Memorial Building Word Search

The Memorial Building was built to remember Abraham Lincoln and his mother Nancy Hanks Lincoln. There are many objects to look for while visiting the building. The Sculptured Panels on the front of the Memorial Building show significant periods in Abraham Lincoln's life. *Look for Abraham Lincoln in each panel!*

Search for the items on the word list in the Memorial Building and in the word search puzzle below.
Hint: look up/down, forward/back and diagonal.

- Auditorium
- Fireplace
- Museum
- Panels
- Balcony
- Halls
- Organ
- Pictures
- Bust
- Memorial
- Painting
- Table

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Angel Mother

In 1818, when Abraham Lincoln was only nine years old, his mother, Nancy Hanks Lincoln, died from milk sickness and was buried in what became known as the Pioneer Cemetery. You can learn many things about the past from cemeteries; the headstones can give you clues. Inscriptions, or writings, on the headstones can tell about the person's life.

Visit the Pioneer Cemetery. What can you learn about Nancy by reading her headstone? List four facts about Nancy Hanks Lincoln.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Marking her gravesite was one way to remember Nancy Hanks Lincoln. We remember people today in many ways. One way is by drawing or taking a picture.

Draw a picture of someone important to you.





Who Am I?

Answer the following questions using the clues and the word list below.
Use the letters in the squares to discover who is the Hidden Name.

He helped his father build a log _____ at his new home in Indiana.

His new stepmother Sally brought three _____ and gave them to him.

Many people loved to hear him talk because he had a talent for _____ telling.

He was very close to his sister _____.

When he first moved to Indiana he saw a flock of turkeys and asked his mother if he could _____ one. This was the last time he killed a large animal.

He was very good at splitting _____.

He had a wonderful sense of _____ and loved to laugh.

Who is the Hidden Name?

List three other facts that you have learned about this person?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.



On the Move

The year is 1816 and the Lincoln family is leaving Kentucky and moving to Indiana. Thomas and Nancy Lincoln have been married for 10 years so they have the usual amount of stuff in their one-room cabin. But, they won't be able to take everything with them! Help them decide what to take to their new home. Remember, they must be able to load everything into their horse drawn wagon!

Read through the list below and put a check by the 20 things you think would be smart to take. Remember, Thomas is a carpenter; he can build his own furniture!

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| <input type="checkbox"/> cured meats | <input type="checkbox"/> cupboards | <input type="checkbox"/> buckets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> corn | <input type="checkbox"/> chickens | <input type="checkbox"/> axe |
| <input type="checkbox"/> seeds | <input type="checkbox"/> bed coverings | <input type="checkbox"/> steel point for plow |
| <input type="checkbox"/> cow | <input type="checkbox"/> pewter dishes | <input type="checkbox"/> carpentry tools |
| <input type="checkbox"/> tables | <input type="checkbox"/> wooden bowls | <input type="checkbox"/> bedsteads |
| <input type="checkbox"/> featherbed | <input type="checkbox"/> small pans | <input type="checkbox"/> corner cabinet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> clothes | <input type="checkbox"/> large kettle | <input type="checkbox"/> quilts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> chairs | <input type="checkbox"/> dutch oven | <input type="checkbox"/> cornmeal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> spinning wheel | <input type="checkbox"/> spider skillet | <input type="checkbox"/> cooking utensils |
| <input type="checkbox"/> butter churn | <input type="checkbox"/> musket | <input type="checkbox"/> books |

What else would you like to take with you? _____

Who would be moving with you? _____

Historical Fact:

After crossing the Ohio River from Kentucky to Indiana on Thompson's Ferry the Lincolns had 16 miles to go! This was the most difficult part of their journey. One of Lincoln's neighbors related that Thomas "came in a horse wagon, cut his way to his farm with an ax felling trees as he went." This journey made a deep impression on the little 7 yr. old Abraham who later said that he had "never passed through a harder experience than he did in going from Thompson's Ferry to their homesite."



Farm Scavenger Hunt

More than 180 years ago the Lincoln Family lived for 14 years where the National Park is today. Visit the Lincoln Living Historical Farm and discover pioneer life as experienced by Abraham Lincoln during his boyhood.

*Draw a map of the farm as you see it today.
Use the word list as a guide to help label the buildings.*

Note: The location of the farm buildings is typical to the layout of many pioneer farms from the 1820's.

Word List
cabin
smoke house
barn
carpenter shop
chicken coop
fence



Take A Hike

Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial is full of sights, sounds and smells. Pick up a map at the Visitor Center to find a trail that you would like to hike.

While you are hiking, tune into your senses and answer the questions. Remember to always hike with a friend or someone you know.

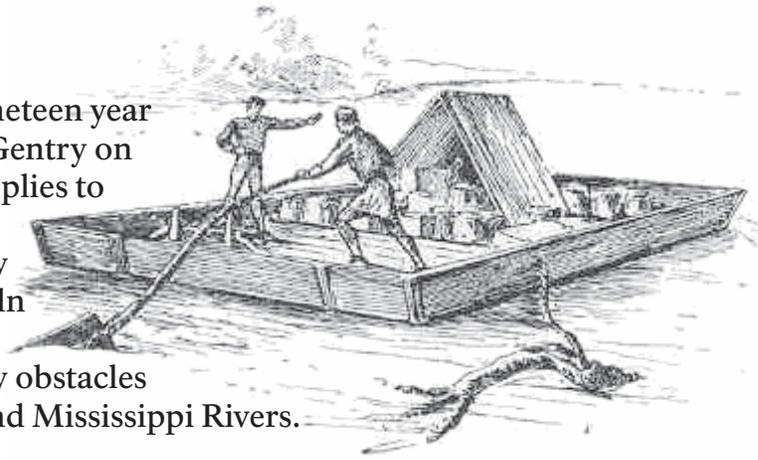
1. Describe the weather to your friend or parent. Is it cloudy or sunny? _____
Do you feel warm or cold? _____
2. Find three different trees on the trail. Compare the leaves and then draw a picture of each leaf in the space below.
3. Look for evidence of animal activity. Do you see tracks on the ground? _____
Do you see any movement in the trees or in the sky? _____
4. Stop for a moment and listen carefully for sounds. Do you hear the rustling of leaves? What about birds chirping? Talk with your hiking partner about the sounds you hear and what might be making them.
5. Take a deep breath through your nose. Do you smell anything special? Tell someone how the smells along the trails are different from the smells at home.

I hiked _____ trail.

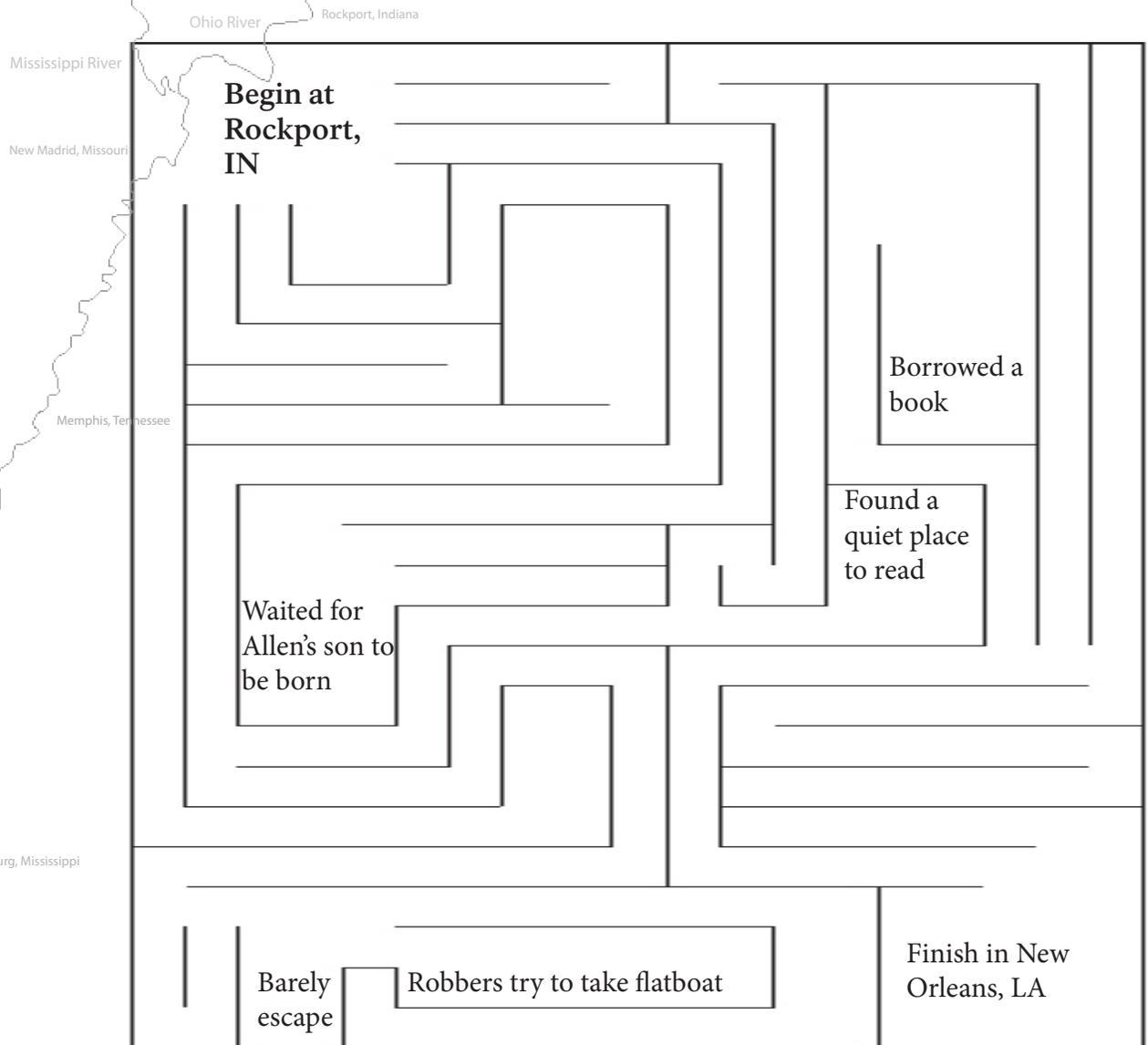


Amazing Flatboat Journey

In 1828 James Gentry, a local storekeeper, hired nineteen year old Abraham Lincoln to accompany his son Allen Gentry on a flatboat trip. They built the boat, filled it with supplies to sell and, with Abraham as oarsman, traveled 1,222 miles from Rockport, IN to New Orleans, LA. They returned to Indiana by steamboat. Abraham Lincoln earned \$24 for this 3 month journey. The flatboat journey was difficult but exciting. There were many obstacles getting started and along the way down the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers.



Help Abraham and Allen find their way to New Orleans.



Ohio River
Rockport, Indiana

Mississippi River

New Madrid, Missouri

Memphis, Tennessee

Greenville, Arkansas

Vicksburg, Mississippi

Natchez, Mississippi

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

New Orleans, Louisiana

Begin at Rockport, IN

Borrowed a book

Found a quiet place to read

Waited for Allen's son to be born

Robbers try to take flatboat

Barely escape

Finish in New Orleans, LA

There I Grew Up . . .

Abraham Lincoln lived in Southern Indiana for fourteen years. He grew up right here where you are visiting today.

Decode information about the community where the Lincoln family lived. Use the code below to fill in the blanks.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

When the Lincoln family _____ in this

 area, it wasn't called _____ City.

19 5 20 20 12 5 4
 12 9 14 3 15 12 14

Instead, the settlement was named the Little

_____ Creek Community, which got its
 name for the many _____

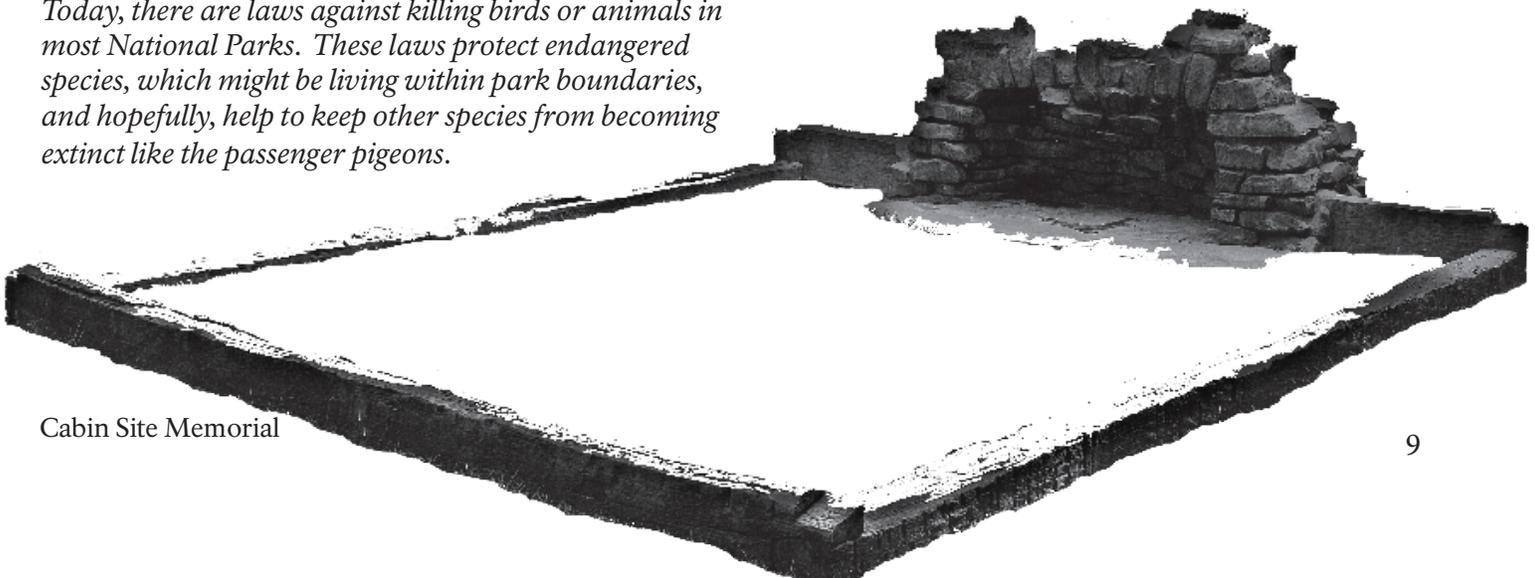
_____ pigeons that lived in the Southern _____

 woods. Those pigeons are now _____,

16 9 7 5 15 14
 16 1 19 19 5 14 7 5 18
 9 14 4 9 1 14 1
 5 24 20 9 14 3 20

which means they no longer exist.

Today, there are laws against killing birds or animals in most National Parks. These laws protect endangered species, which might be living within park boundaries, and hopefully, help to keep other species from becoming extinct like the passenger pigeons.



Cabin Site Memorial

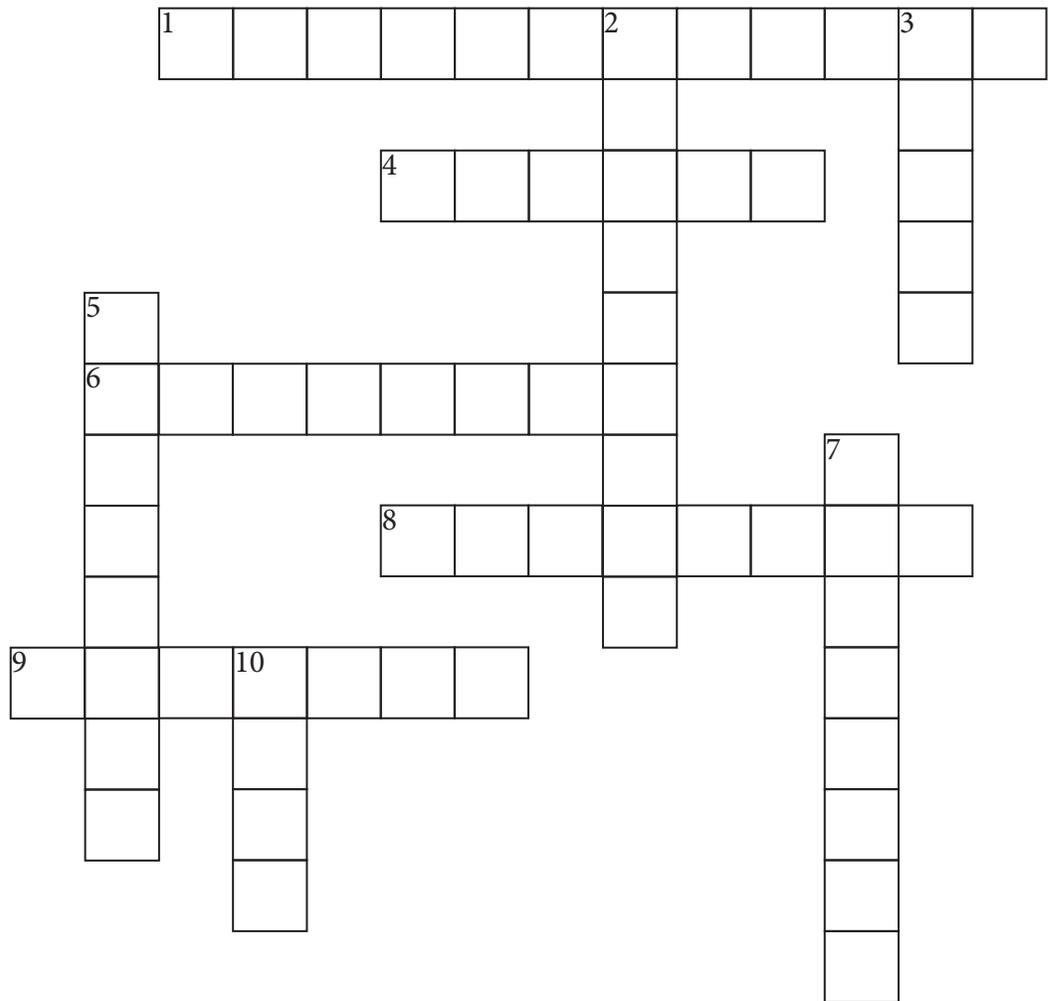


Pioneer Puzzle

In December 1816, seven-year-old Abraham Lincoln crossed the Ohio River with his family and began a life in the wilderness in the newly created state of Indiana. It was here, on his father's farm, that Abraham's journey to adulthood began.

Watch the park film to help discover the answers to this puzzle.

Use the clues below.



Across

- 1 Nancy Hanks Lincoln died of _____ (2 words)
- 4 Sarah Lincoln is buried next to the _____
- 6 Type of home the Lincoln's lived in (2 words)
- 8 Abraham sold ____ to steamboats on the river
- 9 Abraham build a _____ and turned it into a business

Down

- 2 Thomas Lincoln was a _____
- 3 Abraham's stepmother's name was Sarah but they called her _____
- 5 Abraham and Allen Gentry took a _____ to New Orleans
- 7 Abraham lived in Indiana _____ years
- 10 An animal that preyed on swine



Arrowhead Challenge

The arrowhead is the official symbol of the National Park Service. You will find it on buildings, signs, vehicles, and rangers' uniforms. Each part of the arrowhead represents the important resources that our national parks preserve and protect.

Identify the five resource types represented on the National Park Service symbol. Label them below.

1. plants and forests
2. wild animals
3. scenery (beautiful views)
4. water resources
5. human history



How many arrowheads did you find in your Junior Ranger Activity Book?

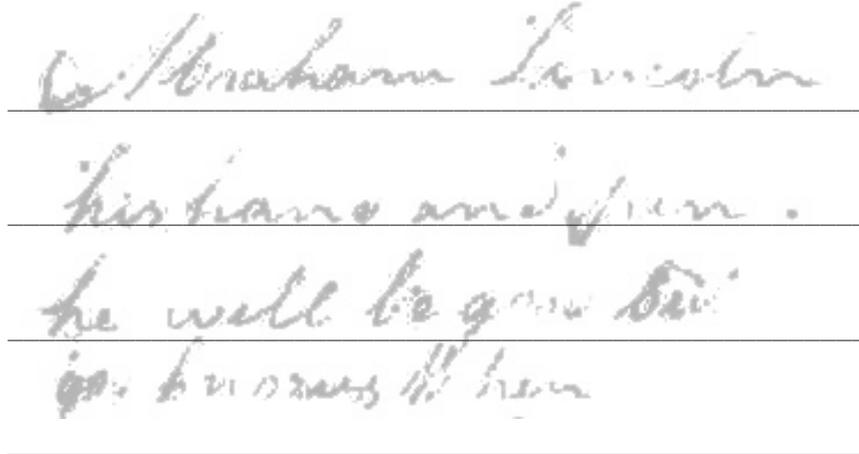




Learning by Littles

Abraham's total formal education, he would say, "did not amount to one year." He went to school only a few weeks at a time. Lincoln later said of himself, "When I came of age, I did not know much. Still somehow I could read, write and cipher (find the answer to math problems) to the Rule of Three but that was all."

Practice some old-fashioned penmanship below. Trace a verse that Abraham Lincoln wrote when he was a kid.



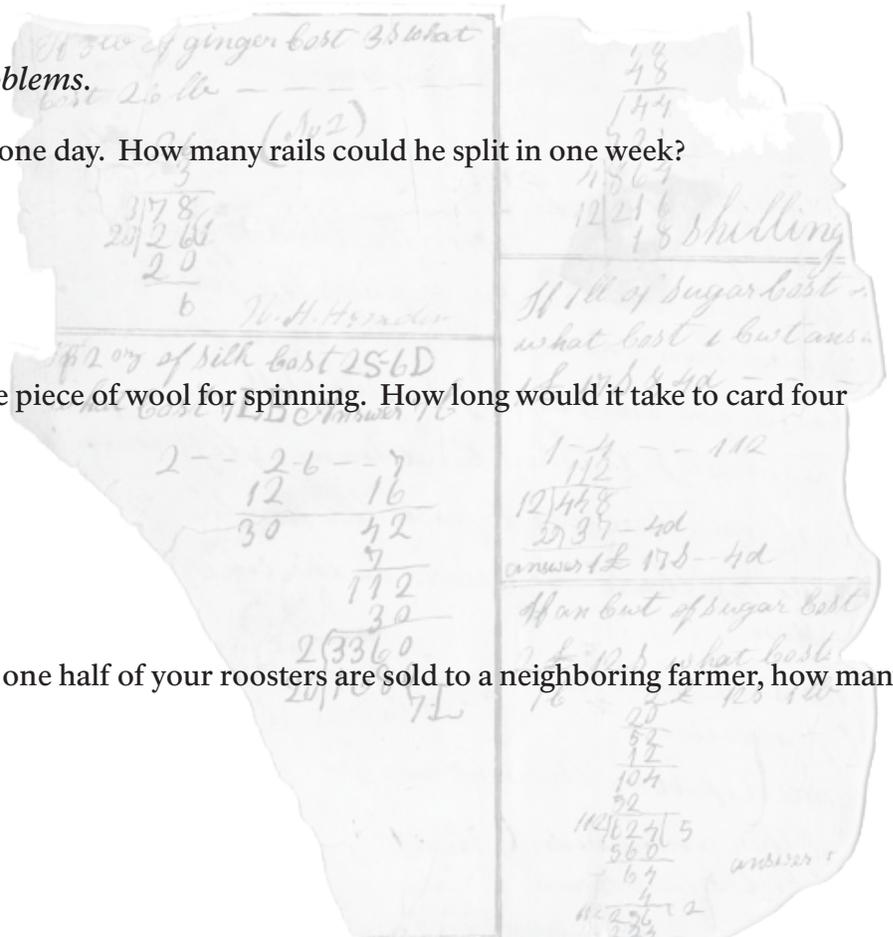
Abraham Lincoln
his hand and pen
he will be good but
God knows when

Find the answer to pioneer math problems.

An average man could split 200 rails in one day. How many rails could he split in one week?

It takes 20 minutes to properly card one piece of wool for spinning. How long would it take to card four pieces of wool?

If you own 36 hens and 24 roosters but one half of your roosters are sold to a neighboring farmer, how many total chickens would you have left?



This is a copy of a page from Abraham Lincoln's sum book. Lincoln probably practiced these problems when he was 15 years old.

This Certificate is awarded to _____

for successfully completing the requirements to become a
Junior Ranger at Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial.

Park Ranger
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Date