

Coincidences Involving Presidents Lincoln & Kennedy

- ✚ Both presidents were elected to the presidency in '60.
- ✚ Both presidents were elected to the [United States House of Representatives](#) in '46.
- ✚ Both were runners-up for the party's nomination for vice-president in '56.
- ✚ Both successors were Southern Democrats named Johnson born in '08.
- ✚ Both presidents were concerned with the problems of [American blacks](#) and made their views strongly known in '63. Lincoln signed the [Emancipation Proclamation](#) in 1862, which became law in 1863. In 1963, Kennedy presented his reports to Congress on [Civil Rights](#), and the same year was the famous [March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom](#).
- ✚ Both presidents were shot in the head.
- ✚ Both presidents were shot from behind.
- ✚ Both presidents were shot in presence of their wives.
- ✚ Both presidents were shot on a Friday.
- ✚ Both presidents were accompanied by another couple.
- ✚ The male companion of the other couple was wounded by the assassin.
- ✚ Lincoln was shot at [Ford's Theatre](#). Kennedy was shot in a [Lincoln](#) automobile, made by [Ford](#).
- ✚ Lincoln had a secretary named Kennedy who told him not to go to the theatre. Kennedy had a secretary named [Evelyn Lincoln](#) (who was born 100 years after Lincoln, and whose husband Harold's nickname was Abe) who warned him not to go to [Dallas](#).
- ✚ Both [Oswald](#) and [Booth](#) were killed before they could be put on trial.
- ✚ Lincoln and Kennedy each have 7 letters.
- ✚ Lincoln and Kennedy both have five syllables in their full name (which counts Kennedy's middle initial).
- ✚ John Wilkes Booth and Lee Harvey Oswald each have 15 letters and 3 words.
- ✚ There are 6 letters in each Johnson's first name.
- ✚ [Booth](#) ran from a theatre to a warehouse, [Oswald](#) ran from a warehouse to a theatre.