An Interview with George Washington

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Reporter - I am interviewing George Washington our first President of the United States.

President - I am glad to be here today.

Reporter - Can you tell us a little about America when you were young?

President - Back then, America was ruled by England. The people who lived in America were called colonists. Virginia was a colony, not a state.

Reporter - When and where were you born?

President - I was born in Virginia on February 22, 1732. My family owned a big farm. I enjoyed farm work when I was young.

Reporter - Did you go to school?

President - I had very little formal schooling, but I taught myself to be an expert woodsman, surveyor and mapmaker. My favorite subject was math and I enjoyed studying.

Reporter - When you were young your father died.
President: My father died when I was 11 years old. I went to live with my half-brother Lawrence at Mount Vernon.

Reporter: When you were twenty years old you joined the military.

President: My first job in the military was to deliver a note to a man more than three hundred miles away.

Reporter: The note ordered the French to stop settling land that was claimed by the British.

President: Yes, and it began the beginning of the French and Indian War. The British eventually won the French and Indian War. I was a colonel and leader of Virginia’s militia.

Reporter: After you left the military you married, correct?

President: I married Martha Custis in 1759. Then I worked as a politician.

Reporter: At this time the English government began to tax the tea and stamps it sold to the American colonies.

President: The French and Indian war was expensive and they needed money. This angered many colonists and they wanted to be free from England’s laws.
The Revolutionary War began. A war began between England and the American colonies, it was called the Revolutionary War. I was asked to lead the military during this war.

You were a good leader. The colonies won the war in 1783 and America became a country. George Washington, you were a hero.

That is what they say.

Did you want to become president?

No, I did not, but everyone insisted that I become the first President. I wanted to go back and farm.

You were an excellent president.

Thank-you, it was not an easy job being a president of a new country. I found smart and honest people to work with.

What were some things you did as President?

America did not have its own money so we passed a law that let the government make some.

The Bill of Rights was also adopted.
President - The First 10 amendments to the US Constitution were adopted. The Bill of Rights guarantees the rights of the American people.

Reporter - You served two terms as President?

President - I served two terms, eight years. The people wanted me to serve another term but that would have been too long it would have given one man too much power.

Reporter - Then you went back to Virginia, right?

President - I went back to Virginia to farm and be with my family.

Reporter - You were known to wear false teeth, is this true?

President - Yes, when I was young I was sick and many medicines they gave to us caused our teeth to go bad. I did brush my teeth often and used mouthwash but all my teeth were gone when I became president. I had many dentists, my favorite dentist had my teeth made from hippopotamus ivory, and elephant ivory. My teeth gave me many problems and caused a lot of pain but my teeth were never wooden.
Reporter-It is also believed that you loved dogs.

President-I am glad you asked me about my dogs. A great hobby and passion of mine were my dogs. I often hunted fox with my dogs, sometimes two maybe three times a week. I also created a unique breed of dog called the American foxhound.

Reporter-You are an amazing and very interesting man. Thank you for the interview Mr. President.

President-Thank you.

Epilogue

George Washington was home on the farm for three years before he died. President George Washington died of pneumonia on December 14, 1799. He was 67 years old.