



RATING THE PRESIDENTS

WHO HAVE THE GREAT PRESIDENTS BEEN?
WHICH ONES HAVE LEFT THEIR ENDURING MARK
ON AMERICAN HISTORY?
WHO WERE THE FAILURES?
RATE THE PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES
INTO 5 CATEGORIES:

GREAT
NEAR GREAT
AVERAGE
BELOW AVERAGE
FAILURE

Please omit William Henry Harrison (1 month in office)& James Garfield (1/2 a year in office)- They were in office too briefly to permit fair evaluation

HINTS:

Do not appraise their total careers, only their achievements in the executive office.

Did the president head the nation in sunny or stormy times?

Did he exhibit a creative approach to the problems of statecraft?

Was he the master or servant of events?

Did he use the prestige and potential of the position to advance the public welfare?

Did he effectively staff key government posts?

Did he properly safeguard the country's interests in relation to the rest of the world?

How significantly did he affect the future destinies of the nation?