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Following the example of his cousin, Roosevelt entered public service through politics. He won election to the New York Senate in 1910. President Wilson appointed him Assistant Secretary of the Navy, and he was the Democratic nominee for Vice President in 1920, at the tender age of 34. The Democrats lost the election. In 1921, he was diagnosed as having polio and was paralyzed from the waist down.

Roosevelt was elected President in November 1932, to the first of four terms. By March there were 13,000,000 unemployed, and almost every bank was closed. In his first "hundred days," he proposed a sweeping program called the "New Deal" to bring recovery to business and agriculture, relief to the unemployed and to those in danger of losing farms and homes.

By 1935 the nation's economy was recovering and in 1936 FDR was re-elected by a huge margin. He tried to keep the U.S. out of WWII, but when Japan attacked Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, America joined the war. As WWII drew to a close, Roosevelt's health deteriorated, and on April 12, 1945, he died of a cerebral hemorrhage. He is often ranked as one of the top three U.S. Presidents.

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

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2. _____
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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
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STUDENT FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Franklin D. Roosevelt in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.





WRITING

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Write about Franklin D. Roosevelt for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other's work.



HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET INFO: Search the Internet and find more information about Franklin D. Roosevelt. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about Franklin D. Roosevelt. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

4. FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT POSTER Make a poster about Franklin D. Roosevelt. Show it to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your posters.

5. MY FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT LESSON: Make your own English lesson on Franklin D. Roosevelt. Make sure there is a good mix of things to do. Find some good online activities. Teach the class / another group when you have finished.

6. ONLINE SHARING: Use your blog, wiki, Facebook page, MySpace page, Twitter stream, Del-icio-us / StumbleUpon account, or any other social media tool to get opinions on Franklin D. Roosevelt. Share your findings with the class.

