

**IMAGINE!**  
WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE ROLE OF THE FIRST LADY WHEN THE FIRST WOMAN BECOMES PRESIDENT? WE WILL HAVE TO WAIT AND SEE.

# WANTED: FIRST LADY OF THE UNITED STATES

**White House seeking First Lady for a four- to eight-year term. First Lady must be wife, daughter, daughter-in-law, niece, or other female relative or friend of the president.**

## ENDLESS DUTIES INCLUDE:

- **HELPING THE PRESIDENT** win the election by campaigning tirelessly;
- being the White House hostess—**WELCOMING GUESTS** into your home many times a week, throwing fancy parties, and being friendly to all visitors;
- **SUPPORTING CAUSES** and charities of your choosing, setting a good example with your concern for important issues;
- supporting the president's plans and ideas as the chief executive of the United States; staying informed on current issues so you can **OFFER ADVICE** as well;
- being **WILLING TO BE AN EXTREMELY FAMOUS PERSON** in the United States and around the world;
- **CONNECTING WITH PEOPLE** by maintaining a sense of humor, an open and honest attitude, and a true interest in all Americans.

You will not receive payment for the work you do, but you will be provided with a home (the White House), a staff to help you, and other benefits, such as exciting **OPPORTUNITIES TO TRAVEL THE WORLD** and meet all kinds of people.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE FIRST LADIES, VISIT THE FIRST LADIES EXHIBIT ON THE MUSEUM'S 3, CENTER OR CHECK IT OUT ONLINE.



Girls, would you want the job of First Lady?  
Boys, would you take on the responsibilities of a job like this?

What do you think would be some of the fun things about being First Lady?

What do you think would be the worst part about being First Lady?



# MEET THE FIRST LADIES

The people who become First Ladies are really not very different from other people, even you!

They have favorite books, favorite TV shows, and favorite colors. They have hobbies and other interests. They come from a variety of backgrounds and went to different kinds of schools. **EACH ONE IS TALENTED IN HER OWN WAY.** Many had careers before they became First Ladies. Meet some First Ladies here, and learn an interesting fact or two about each one.



**LOUISA ADAMS:**  
MY HOBBIES INCLUDED PLAYING THE HARP AND RAISING SILKWORMS.



**ELIZA JOHNSON:**  
I TAUGHT MY HUSBAND HOW TO READ AND WRITE!



**PEGGY TAYLOR:**  
MY HUSBAND AND I LIVED ON THE WESTERN FRONTIER BEFORE COMING TO WASHINGTON. THAT'S WHERE I LEARNED TO SHOOT A GUN.



**LOU HOOVER:**  
I GRADUATED FROM STANFORD UNIVERSITY WITH A DEGREE IN GEOLOGY. I ALSO SERVED AS THE PRESIDENT OF THE GIRL SCOUTS. AND ONE MORE THING, I SPOKE CHINESE FLUENTLY.



**ELEANOR ROOSEVELT:**  
AS FIRST LADY, I WROTE A DAILY NEWSPAPER COLUMN AND HOSTED A WEEKLY RADIO SHOW.



**GRACE COOLIDGE:**  
I WAS A TEACHER AT THE CLARKE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.



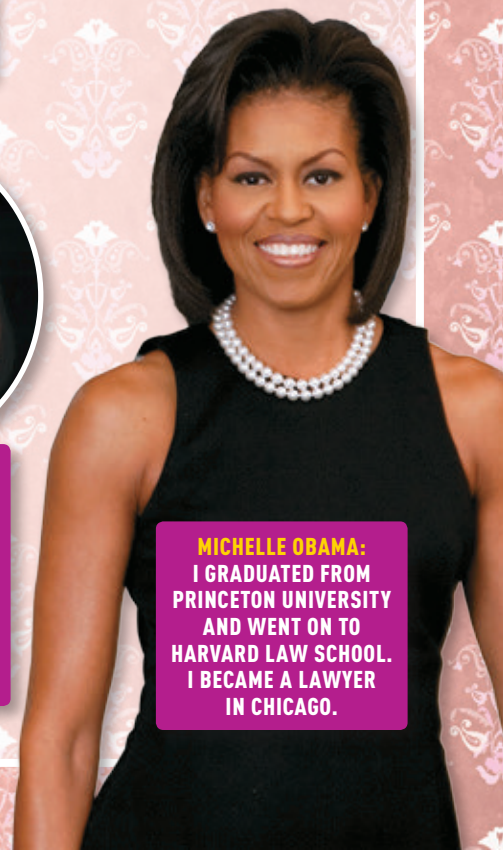
**NANCY REAGAN:**  
BEFORE BECOMING FIRST LADY, I WAS A MOVIE STAR, JUST LIKE MY HUSBAND.



**BETTY FORD:**  
I WAS A PROFESSIONAL DANCER WITH THE FAMOUS MARTHA GRAHAM DANCE COMPANY IN NEW YORK CITY.



**HILLARY CLINTON:**  
I AM THE ONLY FIRST LADY TO BE ELECTED TO PUBLIC OFFICE—THE UNITED STATES SENATE—AND TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE PRESIDENT'S CABINET—SECRETARY OF STATE.



**MICHELLE OBAMA:**  
I GRADUATED FROM PRINCETON UNIVERSITY AND WENT ON TO HARVARD LAW SCHOOL. I BECAME A LAWYER IN CHICAGO.