Just for Kids!

ORDERLINESS IN HISTORY

The men sat comfortably in the office enjoying stories and laughing with each other when they suddenly heard a booming voice inquire, "Has anyone here seen a man named Abraham Lincoln?

Immediately, Abe identified himself and asked, "I am the one you search for. How can I help you?" The man identified himself as an agent for the United States Postal Service and stated, "I have come to collect the money you received while serving as postmaster in New Salem."

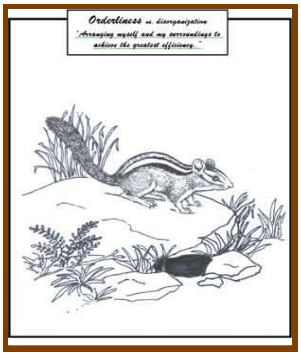
Abe recalled his time as postmaster. He had always kept the payments and receipts together in their proper place.

Did you spot the "I Will"? Abe knew one of his responsibilities as postmaster was to file all receipts and money where they belonged.

Abe slipped out of the room and returned with a faded blue sock. Though the post office had been closed formally years, Abe knew the payments he had received were not his. The agent watched as Abe counted out the exact amount of the debt. The payments had remained in that old sock even though there had been times when the money would have been helpful to Mr. Lincoln. Displaying the good character that was embedded in his life, he returned the money to its rightful owner, his government.

Did you spot the "I Will"? Abe knew the money should only be used for its intended purpose and did not belong to him.

Abraham Lincoln is one of the most respected leaders in American history. His attention to detail served him well throughout his life. By practicing orderliness, he was able to direct the entire nation with authority and efficiency.



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Chipmunk Poster

Make a poster of a chipmunk house and learn the "I Will's" too.

1. ***Make a line about 3 inches down from the top of the poster board all the way across the board, to show the ground level.***
2. ***Near the middle, draw a tunnel going down from the ground level.***
3. ***Draw five tunnels branching from the main one. At the end of each branch draw a circle about 3 inches wide. Label each circle with one of the following: bedroom, storage room 1, storage room 2, bathroom, and nursery.***
4. ***Now cut around each circle, but not completely. Leave the circles attached at the top so that a flap that will lift is made.***
5. ***Cut 5 small pieces of paper a little larger than the circles. On each write one of the "I Will" statements. Glue these behind each of the round holes representing rooms.***
6. ***Draw a chipmunk or download the coloring page chipmunk and cut him out; glue him anywhere you would like on the poster.***
7. ***Decorate the poster with leaves, rocks, twigs above the ground, and decorate each room flap with the items that would be in that room.***
8. ***Write "Orderliness" at the top of the poster, along with the definition.***

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