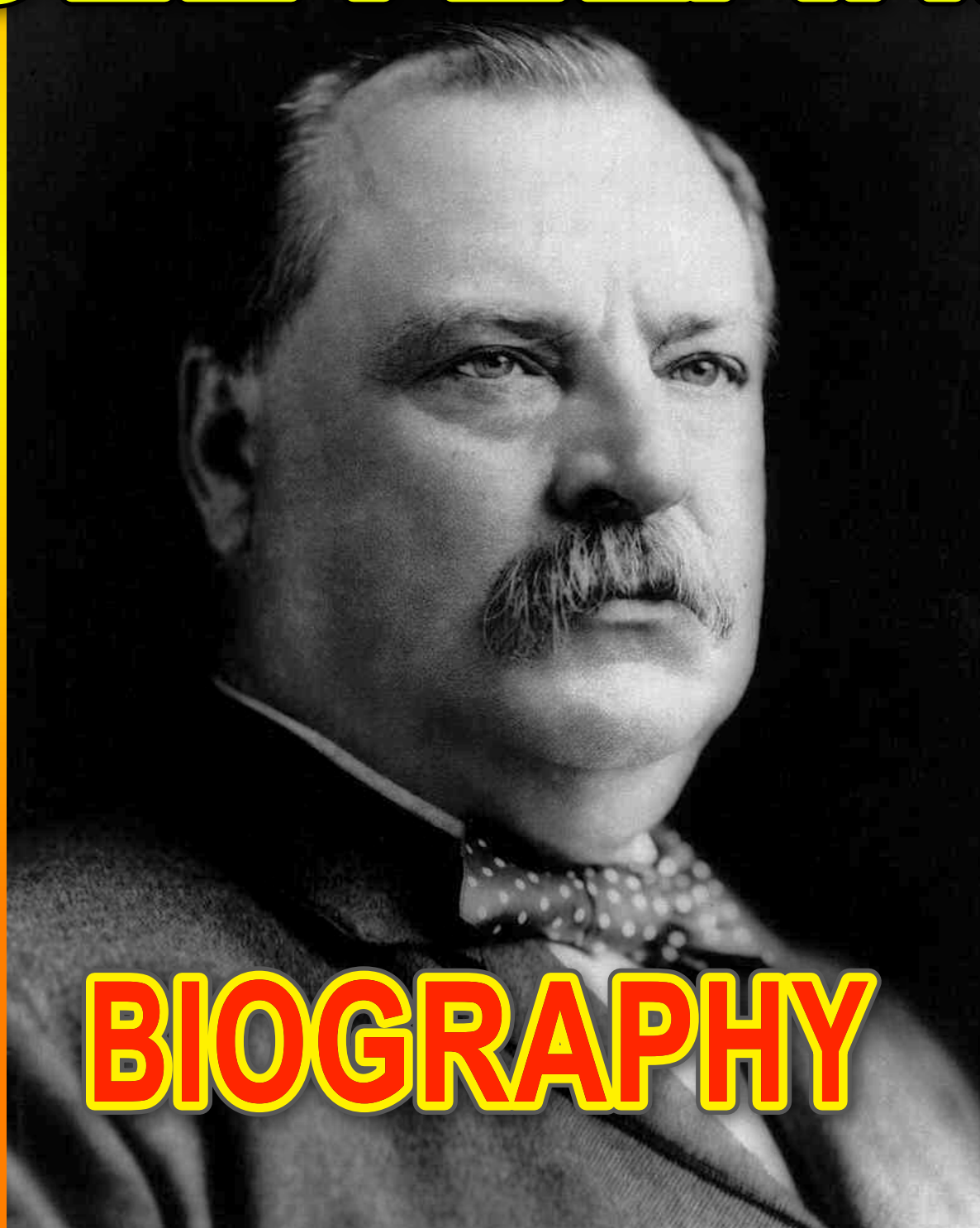


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## BIOGRAPHY

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In between Cleveland's terms, President Harrison aimed to overthrow the royal family in Hawaii and claim the territory. Cleveland did not support this move, but Hawaii was annexed to the United States.

During his second term, there was a depression called the Panic of 1893. It was blamed on the Democratic Party and allowed the Republicans to win the next presidential election.

Grover Cleveland was noted for being a much more 'typical' man of the people, and was noted for honesty, courage, firmness, independence, and common sense.

# Understanding words

Before we can understand a story we have to know what all of the words mean. Let's try one...

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b From that sentence, suggest what 'consecutive' means.

c Write a new sentence using the word 'consecutive'.

d Use a dictionary to find words with a similar meaning (synonyms) to 'consecutive'.

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# Finding key words

Next, we need to find the key words that tell us what the story is about...

Read the story and underline the key words. Write the most important of these key words in a list like the one below. Write next to it a word that means a similar thing (a synonym). You don't have to use all the spaces, but you should not use more.

Key word	Synonym (similar word)
Example: barriers	obstacles

# Sequencing

Sequencing means getting the events in the right order. Write these sentences in the correct order, so they make sense.

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The Democrats were blamed for the Panic, and the Republicans won the next election.

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Cleveland became governor of New York.

During Cleveland's first presidential term, the Statue of Liberty was dedicated.

Cleveland died on June 24, 1908.

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2 Which state was Cleveland governor of?

3 Which statue was dedicated by Cleveland?

4 Which president wanted to annex Hawaii?

5 When was there a depression?

# Make a story...

When you read a description it often gives you ideas about how the event might be described differently.

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