

Directions

Read this passage. Then answer questions 19 through 24.

Teddy's Bear

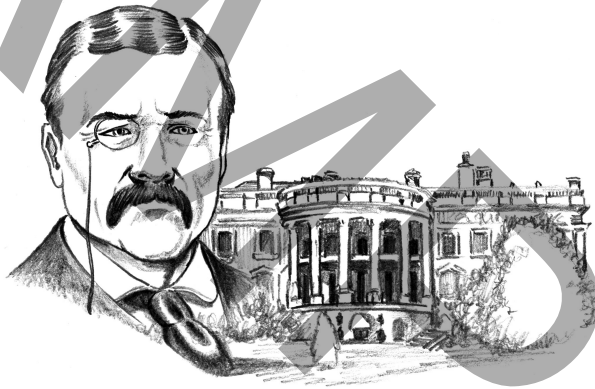
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- 1 Theodore "Teddy" Roosevelt, America's twenty-sixth president, was famous for accomplishing many important things while he was in office. Something he didn't do, however, made him just as famous. And because of it, one of the best-loved toys ever created was named after him.
- 2 In November 1902, President Roosevelt traveled south to settle a boundary dispute between Mississippi and Louisiana. While he was there, he took some time off to go bear hunting. Several reporters and a well-known newspaper artist named Clifford Berryman joined the president's hunting trip.
- 3 The hunters didn't have much luck. Finally, on the last day of the hunt, the president spotted a bear. As he carefully aimed his rifle, the animal turned around. It was only a cub! Teddy Roosevelt loved to hunt, but he refused to shoot the frightened little bear.
- 4 Clifford Berryman thought this was a wonderful opportunity for a drawing. He sketched a cartoon of President Roosevelt turning his back on the cub, unwilling to shoot the small creature. Soon Berryman's black-and-white drawing was appearing in newspapers all over the country. People everywhere liked the cartoon and thought it showed the president to be a kind-hearted man.
- 5 One of those who saw and enjoyed the drawing was Morris Michtom, a candy store owner in Brooklyn, New York. He and his wife, Rose, knew how to make stuffed toys, and the cartoon gave them an idea. The Michtoms found some brown plush fabric and cut out pieces for a bear with movable arms and legs. Then they sewed and stuffed the bear and added buttons for its eyes.
- 6 The Michtoms placed the new toy bear, a copy of Berryman's cartoon, and a sign that read "Teddy's Bear" in the front window of their store. The bear sold quickly, and so did the next few that the Michtoms made. When Morris saw how popular the bear was, he knew he would need the president's permission to continue using his name.
- 7 Morris wrote a letter to the White House and received a handwritten reply from Theodore Roosevelt himself. "I don't think my name is likely to be worth much in the bear business," the president wrote, "but you are welcome to

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use it.” So the Michtoms went to work, making one teddy bear after another. Since Rose and Morris made the bears themselves and still had a candy store to manage, they produced the bears slowly at first. Eventually they closed the candy store, and the Michtom family business became the Ideal Toy Company, one of America’s biggest toy makers. Soon other companies in the United States and Europe were producing bears of all shapes, sizes, and prices. Some of the most beautiful stuffed bears were made in Germany by Margarete Steiff and her workers.

- 8 Today teddy bears remain a favorite of boys and girls everywhere. Many adults love to collect and display them, too. Hundreds of millions of teddy bears have been produced since Teddy Roosevelt’s hunting trip so many years ago. Who could have guessed that the story of an unlucky president and a frightened bear cub would have had such a happy ending?



- 19 Which of these sentences from the passage is **not** a fact?
- A Today teddy bears remain a favorite of boys and girls everywhere.
 - B Theodore “Teddy” Roosevelt, America’s twenty-sixth president, was famous for accomplishing many important things while he was in office.
 - C Morris wrote a letter to the White House and received a handwritten reply from Theodore Roosevelt himself.
 - D He and his wife, Rose, knew how to make stuffed toys, and the cartoon gave them an idea.
- 20 Clifford Berryman sketched a cartoon of the president and the bear. What does “sketched” mean?
- A drew
 - B read
 - C saw
 - D discovered
- 21 Why is President Roosevelt called unlucky in the last sentence of the story?
- A His hunting trip was a failure.
 - B He never owned a teddy bear.
 - C He was unable to meet the Michtoms.
 - D He never saw Clifford Berryman’s cartoon.
- 22 Which sentence provides information about how the teddy bear got its name?
- A The toy was made of plush brown fabric.
 - B The bear cub was cute.
 - C The toy sold quickly because people liked the name.
 - D The Michtoms put the toy bear in their store window next to the cartoon.

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- 23 With which of these statements would the author most likely agree?
- A It was embarrassing for the president to have a toy bear named after him.
 - B It wasn't right for the Michtoms to make money using the president's name.
 - C It was good of the Michtoms to create teddy bears to discourage people from hunting.
 - D It is a warm piece of history that the first teddy bears were made to honor the president.

- 24 Read this sentence from the passage.

Soon other companies in the United States and Europe were producing bears of all shapes, sizes, and prices.

The word "producing" means

- A making
- B selling
- C delivering
- D sketching