Dear Parents and Teachers:

The mission of the Adventures of Rush Revere Series is to engage students in patriotic American history in a fun and memorable way. Instead of just memorizing facts, we hope students will love the story of how our country was founded and why the United States of America is truly exceptional.

The Adventures of Rush Revere team created this study guide for use by parents and teachers. It is meant to help you to create lesson plans while your child, student, or classroom is reading *Rush Revere and the Presidency*.

Originally, *Rush Revere and the Presidency* was written for eight to twelve year olds. However, we know some students are more advanced. You are the best judge to determine if the questions are reading-level appropriate for your students or if they need to be made more or less challenging.

The questions focus on a close reading of the book, and a student's understanding of both the characters and the history of the period.

There are 3 sections of the Rush Revere and the Presidency Study Guide.
- (1) INTRODUCTION FOR TEACHERS AND PARENTS
- (2) BOOK SUMMARY FOR TEACHERS AND PARENTS
- (3) STUDENT QUIZZES

The answer key and grading chart can be found in the same location at http://revereinthe classroom.com.

We would love to hear how you used the study guide and if you have any special suggestions or requests. Please contact us at www.RushRevere.com.

Thank you very much,

*Rush and Kathryn Adams Limbaugh*
Summary of the Study Guide

This study guide is for use by parents / teachers in teaching students about *Rush Revere and the Presidency*. For each section of the book there is an introductory paragraph that describes what each student should learn from the section.

Summary of Student Quizzes

Under each summary paragraph, there are up to 10 study review questions and one or more short answer questions. Students who correctly answer the study review questions receive 1 point. Those who correctly answer the short answer questions receive up to 3 points each and can receive partial credit such as 1 out of 3.

Summary of Rush Revere and the Presidency

*Rush Revere and the Presidency* is the fifth book in the Adventures of Rush Revere Series, and this time the crew focuses on American elections, leadership and the early presidents. When crew member Cam decides to run for student-body president, substitute teacher Rush Revere and Liberty the horse help him learn the skills required to be successful. They do this by taking him and the rest of the crew back in time to visit presidents and first ladies Washington, Adams and Jefferson, and learn from them. At first, Cam thinks the election will be a piece of cake, but he soon realizes he will face challenges, including taking on an old nemesis. Through time travel adventures, and help from a modern-day Congressman, Cam learns that elections and the presidency are not just about fame and glory, but serving others. But will he win the election? If so, he is going to need his playbook and a little help from his friends!
Foreword

In the Foreword, authors Rush and Kathryn Adams Limbaugh discuss how one of the greatest parts of living in the United States is having the right to vote. They note how this was implemented by exceptional leaders in the country and how voting is an important process that ensures freedom. The authors also discuss how choosing a president can be difficult, but it is the job of citizens to be fully informed in making their decision.

Chapter 1

In this chapter, Rush Revere and Liberty return to Manchester Middle School and catch up with Freedom, Tommy and Cam. Cam announces that he wants to run for Student Body President and Elizabeth tells Cam that he is not cool enough. Rush Revere and Cam discuss what it takes to run for president, such as having good ideas, getting votes, working hard and being responsible. We also learn about some of the presidential qualifications, such as being older than thirty-five and being a citizen, which are listed in the Constitution. Cam starts writing his election strategy. Rush Revere decides to create an after-school club for students interested in history and Cam speaks to Principal Sherman about the rules of the school election. Rush Revere plans to take Cam on a trip to meet the first President, George Washington.

Chapter 2

Rush Revere leads the first after-school club meeting and the group decides on the name American Adventurers. Then Liberty, Rush Revere and Cam time-travel to George Washington’s inauguration day in New York City. They review the Pilgrims’ journey to the New World and learn why Americans choose to have a president instead of a king. Cam realizes how different elections were in the 1700s (no secret service!), and they watch George Washington take his Presidential Oath. Rush Revere and Cam discuss many presidential traditions that are still used today.

Chapter 3

Rush Revere, Liberty and Cam return to modern day and Cam recounts what he learned about George Washington to Tommy. The first American Adventurers meeting takes place and the group decides on a special handshake. Cam gives an impromptu election speech that doesn’t go too well, and Rush Revere turns the group towards his Presidential Election Splashdown game. Through this game, we learn about the election process, the importance of voting and the complexity of debates. Principal Sherman lectures Rush Revere about the splash tank. At the end of the chapter, we find out that Elizabeth has decided to run for Student Body President as well, which worries Cam.
Chapter 4

In this chapter, Cam is frustrated about running against Elizabeth. Rush Revere takes him to Boston Bagels where we meet Congressman Joseph. Cam, Liberty and Rush Revere time-travel back to 1790 and head to the Cherry Street Mansion in New York. They run into First Lady Martha Washington, who directs them to help with her upcoming levee. Cam also meets Wash and Nelly, the president's adopted grandchildren. Cam then finds President Washington and Rush Revere walking in the courtyard and asks President Washington why he wanted to be president. Washington explains that he first did it for glory and then realized the importance of service and duty to the country. Mrs. Washington also weighs in on the president's qualities and Liberty graffiti's the mansion in chalk.

Chapter 5

After returning home, Rush Revere and Liberty review what they were taught by President Washington while at Boston Bagels. We learn about the president's team and Cam chooses Tommy, Freedom and Ed to help with his campaign. Congressman Joseph also joins them and teaches Cam about the importance of hard work and the value of debates. Cam's campaign team gets started on making posters and creating a communication strategy. The American Adventurers meet again but Liberty interrupts them with an update on Elizabeth's campaign. Cam learns about rising above the competition.

Chapter 6

In this chapter, the Crew learns about the election process. Cam attempts to practice his election speech in front of the American Adventurers Club, but it ends up being a disaster and Elizabeth teases him. The Crew then travels to 1797 and learns about the temporary capital in Philadelphia, where they read President Washington's Farewell Address. Rush Revere explains the importance of the peaceful transition of power and of making room for new leaders at the end of a president's time in office. They speak with President Washington at the stable and notice how tired he looks. He tells them about the new president, John Adams, who will soon be inaugurated. He also explains factions and political parties. Cam is sad to see President Washington leave, but relates it to his dad's service in the military. The Crew returns to modern day.

Chapter 7

Back in modern day, Tommy and Freedom pretend to be reporters and quiz Cam on his election ideas. The Crew runs into Elizabeth, who is spying on them. While at Boston Bagels, they discuss how sad the people were to read George Washington's Farewell Address. Congressman Joseph also joins them and explains how Washington's Farewell Address is read every year in the Senate and how it's highly praised along with the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence. The Crew talks about modern political parties and learns about the debate between the Federalists and Anti-Federalists. Congressman Joseph reminds Cam to practice his speech regularly and to keep in mind that leadership is a role of service. Cam realizes the importance of expanding his voting group and learns that back in 1797, women and African Americans could not vote.
Chapter 8

At the start of this chapter, Rush Revere decides to take Freedom to 1797 to meet Abigail Adams. They land at the Adams’ farm and discover that Mrs. Adams did not attend her husband’s inauguration because she was tending to their farm and caring for her mother. Mrs. Adams lets Freedom help her with tasks on the farm and tells her about the letters she and her husband write to each other. After hearing that Mrs. Adams would be meeting her husband in Philadelphia, the Crew time-jumps there, almost getting hit by President Adams’ carriage. Rush Revere and Freedom end up eating at a tavern with the Adamses, where they learn about Mrs. Adams’ request to “remember the ladies.” They also discuss political parties and Thomas Jefferson. Freedom asks the Adamses about election advice for Cam and they highlight the importance of loyalty, values and the ability to multitask. Mrs. Adams also mentions how the newspapers have attacked her husband, which taught them to be strong. Freedom, Rush Revere and Liberty return to modern day.

Chapter 9

In this chapter, Freedom reminds the campaign team about the importance of developing armor against criticism. Rush Revere then decides to take the Crew to see President Thomas Jefferson in 1803 and tells them about his political background. They learn that Jefferson ran for president in 1796, but lost and was made vice president. While in Washington D.C., they run into President Jefferson in the woods and he invites them into the White House. When they get inside, Jefferson hears that the Louisiana Purchase has been completed, meaning that the United States has doubled in size. President Jefferson tells them that the most important part of being president is doing what is best for the people and serving them. He also advises Cam on speechwriting and inspiration before the Crew heads back to modern day.

Chapter 10

In this chapter, Liberty dresses up in anticipation for Cam’s big election day. When they get to the school, Cam is in a panic because he cannot find his playbook. He finds out that Elizabeth has stolen it and she taunts him. When Elizabeth begins her speech, she uses Cam’s ideas from the playbook. This upsets Cam, but he moves forward in his speech, thanking Elizabeth for sharing his ideas. He then tells everyone how he plans to serve them and how their ideas will be heard. Everyone cheers and claps for Cam. The next morning, Principal Sherman announces that Cam has been elected as Student Body President. The Crew goes to Boston Bagels to celebrate and they reflect on the things they have learned during their election journey.
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully. One point for each correct answer on study review questions. Three points for each correct answer on short answer questions.

1. Fill in the blank: “One of the greatest parts of living in the United States and being an American is the right to __________.”

2. Fill in the blank: “Every ________ years, there is an opportunity to vote for a new president.”

Short Answer: The United States of America was founded by exceptional Americans who believed our country should be run by the people, for the people. What do you think this means?
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

1. Who does Liberty say is “the coolest, the most awesome, the most super-fun history teacher”?

2. Why is Cam’s father away?

3. What position is Cam thinking of running for in his school?

4. How old does a person need to be to vote in the United States?

5. How old (at least) does a candidate need to be to run for president in the United States?

6. A presidential candidate needs to be a U.S. resident for how many years before running? (Circle one: 6, 10, 14)

7. Who was Liberty talking to on the tree?

8. What do the thirteen stripes on the American flag stand for?

9. What did Rush Revere give Cam to help him with his election strategy?

10. When Cam last saw George Washington in 1776, he was leading America’s continental army against who?
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

Short Answer: In Chapter 1, Cam announces his plans to run for Student Body President. What were his original reasons for wanting to be president? Do you think these were good reasons?
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

1. What patriotic colors were in Freedom’s hair ribbon in this chapter?

2. Who ordered pizza for the club meeting?

3. On what day of the week do Americans vote?

4. What name was chosen for Rush Revere’s after school club?

5. Who was the first president of the United States?

6. Rush Revere and Liberty time-jumped to what important year to witness George Washington’s inauguration in New York? (Circle one: 1776, 1789, 1945)

7. What group of people were crossing the Atlantic to gain religious freedom in the New World in 1620?

8. What happened to the man that Liberty yelled at to stay away from his saddle bags?

9. What type of promise must someone must make before becoming President of the United States? (Hint: What did George Washington recite?)

10. Finish George Washington’s words - “and I will to the best of my ability, preserve, protect and defend the _________________ of the United States”.

Student Name: __________________________
_____ out of _____ correct
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

Short Answer: Why did the Americans decide on a president over a king or queen? What made them choose George Washington and why was he so popular?
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

1. What did Cam notice was different about George Washington’s inauguration versus today? (Hint: Think about transportation)

2. As a president, did George Washington live in the White House? If not, where?

3. What was the name of the Army George Washington lead to victory? (Hint: Starts with “C”)

4. Which important founding document does the Presidential Oath come out of?

5. Which crew member helped make a secret handshake in this chapter?

6. In what month does the presidential election occur?

7. What important document states that people of the United States have the right to vote?

8. What is it called when two candidates go on TV and talk about their ideas or answer questions?

9. Who hit the Splashdown bullseye and made Cam fall in?

10. Who else decided to run for President against Cam?
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

**Short Answer:** What are some of the election traditions that George Washington started?
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

1. What green vegetable does Liberty say he likes in this chapter?

2. Who do Cam and Rush Revere meet at the bagel shop and what role did he used to play in the government?

3. Who does Rush Revere first plan to visit to help Cam learn more about being a president?

4. What First Lady did the crew meet when they got to the mansion?

5. What are the names of President Washington’s adopted grandchildren?

6. First Lady Martha Washington cared for the American troops at what military camp?

7. After fighting in the French and Indian War, what did President Washington learn was more important than glory?

8. What were presidential gatherings called, before they were called State Dinners?

9. Which two qualities does Mrs. Washington attribute to President Washington?

10. What does Liberty write on the brick wall?
Quiz
Chapter 4

Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

**Short Answer:**

What are some reasons George Washington said he wanted to become president? Think about both his initial reasons and what he later found to be the greatest goal.
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

1. What does Cam call his campaign notebook?

2. Who did President Washington choose as his secretary of State? (Hint: Third President of the United States)

3. What was Alexander Hamilton’s title under President Washington? He was the Secretary of the ____________?

4. What kind of government did James Madison help President Washington set up? Hint: Was he a federalist or anti-federalist?

5. Which Amendment gives Americans the freedom of speech?

6. Which three students did Cam choose for his election team?

7. Who is on the one-dollar bill?

8. What does Liberty call Elizabeth’s followers in this chapter?

9. Who does Congressman Joseph say were always the underdogs?

10. Who does Rush Revere say could “capture a room” when he was “on”?
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

**Short Answer:**
Cam originally has some selfish ideas of what it means to be a good leader. What does he learn is part of good leadership? What are some of the qualities a good leader may have? Who is someone that you know who is an exceptional leader?
**Quiz**

*Chapter 6*

**Directions:** Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

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<td>How many terms can a president serve?</td>
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<td>What does Cam get nervous about doing in this chapter?</td>
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| 6 | What role does Rush Revere say President Washington would have taken if he has stayed on for life?  
   (Hint: Think about Great Britain) |
| 7 | Who becomes President right after George Washington? |
| 8 | What term means “groups of people looking out for only themselves and not the country”? |
| 9 | What does George Washington help Cam realize about the presidency at the end of the chapter? |
| 10 | What is the name of the sixty-foot tall stone memorial that has sculptures of Presidents Washington, Jefferson, Roosevelt and Lincoln? |
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

**Short Answer:** Why is George Washington's Farewell Address one of the most important documents in history? What happened on that day that had never happened before?
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

1. What favorite breakfast food does Liberty eat at the start of this chapter?

2. What American Adventures Club game does NTEF stand for?

3. What is the first thing Cam says he wants to do as Student Body President?

4. How did people feel when George Washington left office in 1797?

5. Where did George Washington move back to after leaving office? (Hint: Mount __________)

6. What are the animal symbols for the Republican and Democrat parties?

7. What has Ed been working on for Cam’s election campaign?

8. Who was John Adams’ wife and the second First Lady of America?

9. Abigail Adams fought for the __________ of women, African-Americans, the poor and others.

10. Could women vote in 1797?
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

| Short Answer: | Who were the two political parties that formed under President Washington?  
Who was the head of each and what modern day parties have they turned into? |
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Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

1. What kind of dogs did Abigail Adams have around her farm in this chapter?

2. What American holiday is associated with Freedom’s birthday?

3. Where is first lady Abigail Adams traveling to in this chapter?

4. What does First Lady Abigail Adams tell Freedom is incredibly important?

5. What almost hit Freedom on the road?

6. Who famously told her husband to “remember the Ladies”?

7. What does President Adams say is his overriding goal as president?

8. By how many votes did President Adams win the election against Thomas Jefferson?

9. How did Cam’s playbook get wet?

10. What does President Adams say to wear when things become difficult?
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

**Short Answer:**

What was the importance of Abigail Adams telling her husband to “remember the ladies”?
What was she afraid would happen?
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

1. What are Cam and Tommy drinking at the start of this chapter?

2. What does Elizabeth call her election team?

3. Who was the main author of the Constitution?

4. Which state did Thomas Jefferson originally serve as Governor?

5. What government position did the loser of the Presidential election fulfill in 1796?

6. What does President Thomas Jefferson say he does every afternoon?

7. What animal did Freedom carry into President Jefferson’s house?

8. What purchase of land from the French doubled the size of the United States?

9. What does President Jefferson say is his first and only focus?

10. What does President Jefferson say Cam needs to find for his speech?
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

Short Answer: What was the importance of the Louisiana Purchase and what did it do for the United States?
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

1. What colors were on Liberty’s striped tie?

2. What big day was Liberty dressed up for?

3. What did Cam “lose” out of his backpack?

4. Where did Liberty want to go for a snack before the speech?

5. Congressman Joseph wished Cam *fair winds and* ____________?

6. Where did Elizabeth’s ideas in her speech come from?

7. How did everyone react when Cam says that their ideas “would be heard”?

8. What does Cam say the C in his name stands for?

9. What food does the *American Adventurers* Club eat to celebrate Cam?

10. Who won the Manchester Middle School Election?
Directions: Answer the questions below. Make sure to answer the short answer questions fully.

Short Answer: What were some of the important things Cam learned and talked about in his election speech? Do you think these were good ideas?