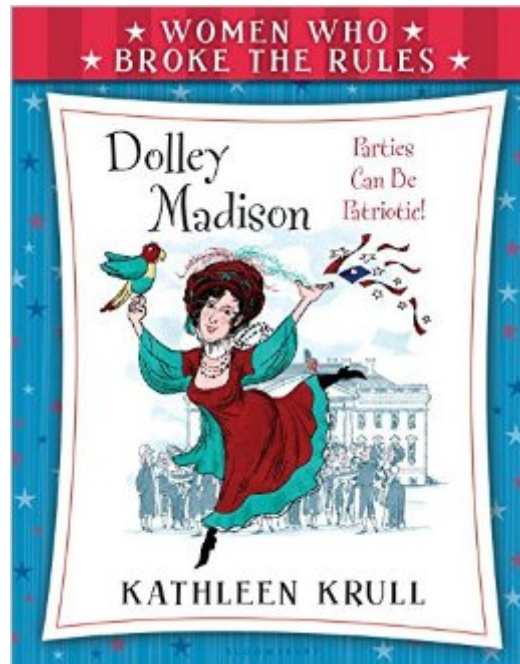


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# Women Who Broke The Rules: Dolley Madison



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Summary: When Dolley Madison died, her funeral was the largest ever seen in Washington, D.C. at that time. It closed down the government, because so many people wanted to attend, including some of the twelve U.S. presidents she had known in her lifetime. After a simple Quaker childhood and an arranged first marriage, Dolley, a widow at age 25, married James Madison, who later

became the fourth U.S. President. Dolley threw large parties every week, redecorated the White House, and famously rescued the portrait of George Washington just hours before the British burned down the White House during the War of 1812. When Zachary Taylor referred to her as the First Lady, he coined a term that Dolley defined during her long, eventful life. Ages 7-10. Pros: Veteran biographer Kathleen Krull has a new series, *Women Who Broke the Rules*. This entry is fun, breezy, and informative. At 46 pages, with illustrations on almost every page, it's just the right length to give an enticing introduction to the life of a famous woman. Cons: The Quakers are not portrayed as awesomely as they could have been.

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