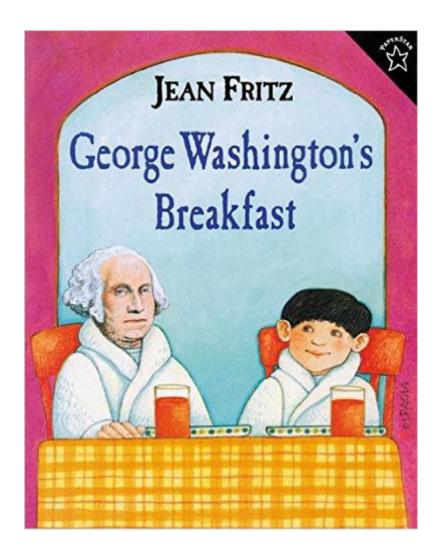
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# **George Washington's Breakfast**





# Synopsis

George Washington Allen, a boy who never gives up until he finds out what he wants to know, is determined to learn all there is to know about his namesake?including what the first president ate for breakfast!?The sprightly, humorous story and likable colored illustrations bring history alive and make research meaningful.? --Booklist?A delightful book?The plot combines history, biography, research, cooking and a determined child.? --The New York Times Book Review?Younger and reluctant readers may enjoy this, as it offers a painless way of picking up information.? --School Library Journal

## **Book Information**

Lexile Measure: 0710 (What's this?) Paperback: 48 pages Publisher: Puffin Books; Reissue edition (February 2, 1998) Language: English ISBN-10: 0698116119 ISBN-13: 978-0698116115 Product Dimensions: 7.1 x 0.2 x 9.1 inches Shipping Weight: 4.8 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.7 out of 5 starsÅ Å See all reviewsÅ (23 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #110,884 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #66 inÅ Books > Children's Books > Biographies > United States #82 inÅ Books > Children's Books > Literature & Fiction > Historical Fiction > United States > Colonial Age Range: 7 - 10 years Grade Level: 2 - 5

## **Customer Reviews**

This book is wonderful and engaging. It is about a little boy, George W. Allen who shares his name and his birthday with George Washington. He knows many facts about George W. but he wants to know more. One day he decides he wants to know what George W. had for breakfast and the learning adventure begins!! I read it to my boys 6 and 4 and they loved it. My sons enjoyed the facts about George W. like: he had two horses named Nelson and Blueskin. There were many "fun facts" such as this in the book. I loved it because in addition to learning about George W., it shows children different ways to search for information. George Allen first goes to the library from there to the card catalog, and then the biographies. Then his family took a trip to Washington D.C., and to George Washington's home in Virginia. It's a great addition to any family library.

George Allen feels related to George Washington because they share a name and a birthday. He knows many facts about the first president but George Allen wants to know what Washington ate for his breakfast. His detemination to succeed makes the book an interesting tour through history. We learn many facts about Washington and also the rewards of perseverance.

I am a second grade teacher, and have a 8 and 4 year old at home. I loved this book, both at school and home. We read it every President's Day, and bake up a serving of hoecakes. It is a really fun way to teach children about the history of George Washington.

My kindergartener just loved this book! It opened up a lot of discussion about George Washington. It's a bit long, so older kids would do better reading it on their own. My 5 yr old is at a 2nd grade reading level and could read it just fine, but the length was a little daunting for her. It's a fun story though that we enjoyed reading together!

Sometimes I have to paraphrase some of this story for my PreK students, although this class stayed right with the text. It's a great addition to a unit on George Washington. After we read the story, we always make our own hoe cakes. Anything by Jean Fritz is quality literature!

I felt this was a really creative take on the subject. As a homeschooler that tends to follow the interest of my child, I could really relate to this story as the family tries many avenues to answer the son's question. I would love to have followed up the read with a visit to Mt. Vernon too!

I like this book because it is full of wondering to do. You think: "Will George Allen find out? What is next? How will he handle the situation?" George Allen is trying to find out what George Washington ate for breakfast because he feels like he is related to George Washington! But he is having trouble. He goes to the library, but he doesn't find anything. After going to everywhere he can think of, he still can't find it. But he doesn't give up

I enjoy all of Jean Fritz's books, but this one is particularly fun. I read it to my class of 6th graders. We had to read 1/2 one day and the other half the next day. This is one of the few books that the kids wanted to finish all in one day, such was their interest. That's a sign of great writing. A real

### page turner.

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