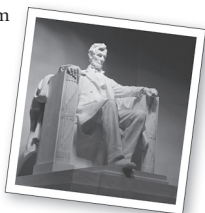


# DETERMINATION

## Learn from Lincoln

Everyone's heard of Abraham Lincoln, right? Well, if Lincoln didn't have determination, his name would mean nothing to you. Consider this:



Lincoln was defeated when he ran for the Illinois House of Representatives in 1832. But he was victorious in the House race in 1834, and was then re-elected for three consecutive terms.

He was defeated when he ran for the U.S. House of Representatives in 1843, then ran successfully for a House seat in 1846.

He was defeated for the Senate in 1855.

He was defeated for Vice President in 1856.

He was defeated for the Senate again in 1858.

Finally, in 1860, Lincoln was elected President of the United States.

- Who else do you know who has shown determination?

## Traits in Common

How are determination and perseverance alike?

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How does motivation affect determination?

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How is determination affected by optimism?

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"If you are resolutely determined to make [something] of yourself, the thing is more than half done already."

— ABRAHAM LINCOLN

## Make a Plan. Make it Happen!

Whether it's raising your grade or making the team, you have to work hard and have determination to reach your goal.

My goal: \_\_\_\_\_

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What I will do: \_\_\_\_\_

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How I will motivate myself: \_\_\_\_\_

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How I will reward myself: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date I reached my goal: \_\_\_\_\_

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