

# President Buchanan Study Sheet

1. James Buchanan 15th President of the United States, serving from 1857 to 1861.
2. Pennsylvania The state where James Buchanan was born in 1791.
3. Wheatland Estate in Pennsylvania where Buchanan lived before and after his presidency.
4. Harriet Lane Niece of James Buchanan who served as his White House hostess, acting as the de facto First Lady.
5. Bachelor President Nickname given to James Buchanan for being the only president who never married.
6. Franklin Pierce Predecessor of James Buchanan as President of the United States.
7. Democratic Party Political party to which James Buchanan belonged.
8. Cabinet Group of advisors who served under Buchanan during his presidency.
9. Pennsylvania Legislature James Buchanan served in this before becoming President.
10. William Rufus King Close friend of James Buchanan, serving as Vice President during part of Franklin Pierce's term.
11. Inauguration Event where Buchanan took the oath of office as President in 1857.
12. Lecompton Constitution Pro-slavery constitution proposed for Kansas, which was supported by Buchanan.
13. Washington, D.C. Location of Buchanan's presidency, where he faced increasing sectional tensions.
14. Panic of 1857 Economic downturn that occurred early in Buchanan's presidency, causing financial hardship for many Americans.
15. Farewell Address Speech delivered at the end of Buchanan's presidency, reflecting on the state of the nation.
16. James Polk President under which Buchanan served as Secretary of State, contributing to expansionist policies.
17. Democratic National Convention Event where Buchanan was nominated as the presidential candidate in 1856.
18. Buchanan v. Warley Supreme Court case in which the Court struck down racial zoning laws.
19. Compromise of 1850 Legislation aimed at addressing the issue of slavery in the territories.
20. Kansas-Nebraska Act Controversial legislation that allowed settlers in the Kansas and Nebraska territories to decide whether to allow slavery.