I have completed the Junior Ranger workbook to the best of my ability.

Signature of Junior Ranger Candidate

Date
Hello! Are you ready to learn about Martin Van Buren? Do you know the name President Van Buren gave his home and farm?
HINT: This leaf is from a linden tree.
HINT: 'wald' is the German word for forest

Write the answer here:________________________
Let's learn more about the farm at Lindenwald. In 1839, when President Van Buren bought Lindenwald, no one had lived here for 15 years. Very few changes were made to the farm during that time.

What did the lawn and gardens look like if they were not taken care of?

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Draw a Picture of Martin Van Buren’s Lawn & Garden
By 1850, Lindenwald looked like this picture.

*Find the orchard and circle it.*
*Count the number of ponds and write your answer here. ____
*Draw an arrow pointing to the Kinderhook Creek. This is the west border of President Van Buren's farm.*
We didn’t see them in the picture, but there were many different kinds of crops here and many different kinds of animals.

WORD FIND
CROPS AND ANIMALS AT LINDENWALD

EPPDAPPLES
FTEHCSPBEANS
IIAATHAFGFTB
SJSERJIACOWS
HNEKPSHCRYRQ
DBCLOTURKEYS
HAACTAAPWEDY
OCBGACTOHKNE
ROBRTOLSPIGS
SRAAOFGRAPES
ENGIEDRJYLAC
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Words to Find And Circle

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President Martin Van Buren came home to Kinderhook after a political career that lasted 30 years. The United States of America grew from 13 states to 34 states during his lifetime. When he was born on December 5, 1782, New York was one of the thirteen colonies that would become the first states.

**13 Colonies**

[Map image of the 13 Colonies]

**Identify the 13 Colonies**

HINT: One line points to two different spots on the map. This colony was divided into two states in 1820, as part of the Missouri Compromise. Choose the name of the colony from the list below.

- Connecticut
- Delaware
- Georgia
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- New Hampshire
- New Jersey
- New York
- North Carolina
- Rhode Island
- Pennsylvania
- South Carolina
- Virginia
Are you wondering where Vermont is on the map? Martin Van Buren was nine years old when Vermont became the fourteenth state. Remember he was born in 1782. Let's do the math and figure out what year Vermont became a state.

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The United States of America kept getting bigger. When Martin Van Buren was 21 years old and a lawyer, there were 17 states. What year was that?

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When Martin Van Buren was our 8th President, Arkansas became the 25th state and Michigan became the 26th state. How old was Martin Van Buren when he was elected President in 1836?

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& \quad \text{ANSWER}
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Find and circle Arkansas and Michigan on the map.
President Van Buren had a big responsibility when he was elected President. The United States had grown from 13 states to 26 states. People who lived in northern states like New York and Massachusetts did not always agree with people who lived in southern states like Virginia and North Carolina. He believed that Americans could work together even when they disagreed.

Two things they couldn't agree on were money and slavery. After President Van Buren was defeated and left Washington D.C., arguments continued for twenty years and led to the Civil War. The United States of America almost broke apart and this made President Van Buren very sad as he had worked hard to help Americans work together. President Van Buren died during the Civil War. Had he lived, he may have said the end of the Civil War meant that Americans need to keep working together.

People visit Martin Van Buren National Historic Site from all over the world to learn more about American history. Thank you for being one of them!