

Assembly Resource

Read through the information below, which explains the inauguration ceremony in the USA. Why do you think the ceremony is watched by so many people? Do you think it is important to have a ceremony like that when a new leader starts their role?



Donald Trump



Joe Biden

Joe Biden has succeeded Donald Trump as the 46th President of the United States. Donald Trump was president between 2017-2021.

The greatest gift is the ability to forget – to forget the bad things and focus on the good.

US president, Joe Biden

What is Inauguration Day?



Above: The United States Capitol building



Left: The White House

In the United States, Inauguration Day is the day the person elected to be the president officially becomes president.

It takes place every four years on 20th January.

The day begins with a worship service attended by the president-elect and is followed by the swearing in ceremony for the president and vice president. The new president then gives a speech known as the Inaugural Address. After a special lunch in the Capitol, there is a parade which is led by the president and vice president as they are driven to the White House.