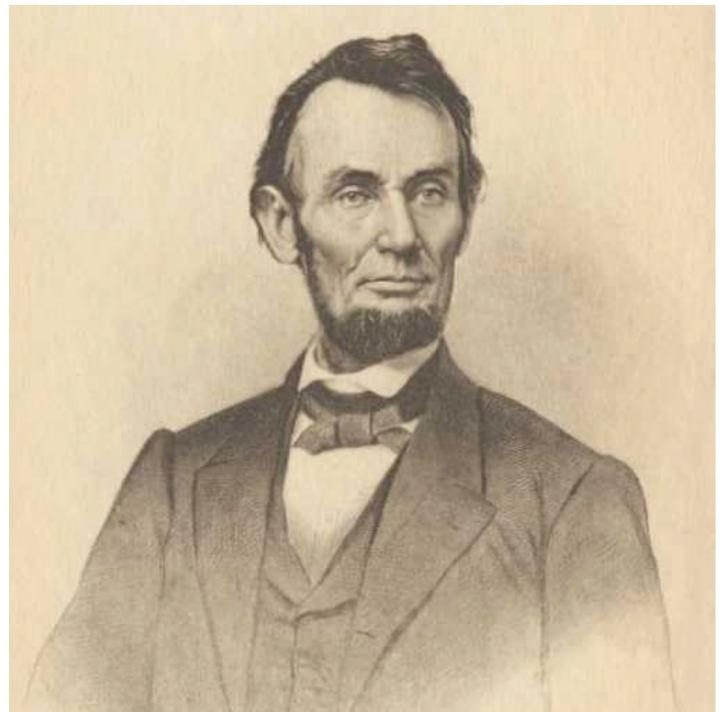


Lincoln's genius lay not in how many times he failed, but in how many times he refused to

- Failed in business, 1831
- Failed in legislature, 1832
- Failed in business again, 1833
- Elected to legislature, 1834
- Suffered nervous breakdown, 1836
- Defeated for speaker, 1838
- Defeated for elector, 1840
- Defeated for Congress, 1848
- Defeated for Senate, 1855
- Defeated for Vice President, 1856
- Defeated for Senate, 1858
- Elected 16th President of the United States of America, 1860

Abraham Lincoln, one of the most respected and admired men who ever lived, was a failure. And Lincoln failed not just once, but **many** times in his life:



You can't let failure stop you

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let failure stop him. The more you want to do in life, the more you will fail. One of the reasons most people never attempt anything truly worthwhile is that they're afraid to fail. Over the years, I have learned an important truth: We mistakenly believe that others are much more interested in our life than they are. Naturally, our close friends and family are concerned about us, but that's not what I mean. We put too much weight on what others think of us. "What if they see me fail?" "It would be terrible if so-and-so sees me fail!" Guess what? They're more concerned with their own life than they are with yours. When you're trying to achieve something big, you can't worry about what other people think about you. Abraham Lincoln recognized that failure is only a step in the process, something that has to be endured when you're traveling the road to greatness. Lincoln would not let failure stop him, and you can't either. The biggest successes are not those people

who never fail, but those who pick themselves up, dust themselves off, and keep going again and again, **no matter how many times they fail.**

Learn this important lesson from Abraham Lincoln. No matter how many times you fail, keep trying. You only have to succeed one more time than you fail.

Life's victories don't go to those who give up at the first sign of failure. They go to the people who refuse to let failure stop them, no matter what. Be one of those people!



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