

What precedents
did George Washington
set as president?





Precedent:

Something that people
will continue to do
in the future.

an example
that others
will follow.

Cabinet

a group of advisors
that helps the
President make
decisions.

Secretary of Treasury -
Alexander Hamilton

Secretary of State -
Thomas Jefferson

Secretary of War -
Henry Knox

"So Help Me God"

- Washington's
reply
when he was
sworn in at
his inauguration

Two Terms

All presidents
except Franklin
Roosevelt have stepped
down after 2 terms.

After FDR,
an amendment was
passed limiting the
presidency to 2
terms.

1 term = 4 years.

Neutrality

- Staying out of Wars.

Issued
Neutrality
Proclamation.

Ex. French
Revolution

Ex. Farewell
Address

Washington's three major challenges:

1. to make sure the government was strong enough to provide stability
2. to protect national security
3. to establish a sound financial foundation for a new nation that was heavily in debt