

When Frederick Douglass Lived

Date	Event
1818	<p>Frederick Bailey was born into slavery in Maryland.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• James Monroe was president.• There were nineteen states in the Union.
1826	<p>Frederick's new mistress Mrs. Auld began teaching him how to read.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Former presidents John Adams and Thomas Jefferson both died on July 4th.
1838	<p>Frederick successfully escaped to freedom in New York and changed his name to "Douglass."</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Samuel Morse demonstrates the telegraph in public for the first time.• John Wilkes Booth, Abraham Lincoln's assassin, was born.
1845	<p>Frederick published <i>Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave</i>, the story of his life.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Macon B. Allen became the first African American lawyer.• Texas was admitted as the 28th state in the Union.

- 1848 Frederick Douglass attended the nation's first Women's Rights Convention.
- Gold was discovered in California.
 - James K. Polk became the first president to be photographed in office.
- 1870 The 15th Amendment, for which Frederick campaigned, was ratified, and, from then on, African Americans were allowed to vote.
- Virginia became the 8th state to be readmitted to the Union after the Civil War.
 - Mississippi elected the first African American U.S. senator.
- 1872 The Equal Rights Party nominated Douglass for vice president of the United States.
- The first National Black Convention met in New Orleans.
 - Susan B. Anthony, famous women's rights leader, was fined for trying to vote.
- 1889 Frederick Douglass was appointed U.S. Consul-General to Haiti.
- North and South Dakota, Montana, and Washington became states.

1895

- Thomas Edison showed the first motion picture.
- Frederick Douglass died in Washington, D.C., February 20th.
- Grover Cleveland was president.
- There were forty-four states in the Union.