

# *Washington Crossing the Delaware:* **The Story Behind the Painting**

*A PowerPoint Presentation That Makes History Come Alive*



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How much of this iconic painting is fact? Emanuel Leutze's monumental 1851 painting provides the stepping-off point for discussion of the pivotal event that rallied Washington's men, Congress, and the colonists, and made possible continuation of the war to victory. Which man depicted in the boat would become fifth President of the United States? What is the significance of the black sailor next to General Washington? The work's oft-noted "errors" will be seen as deliberate choices by the artist to create a work of great emotional impact.

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