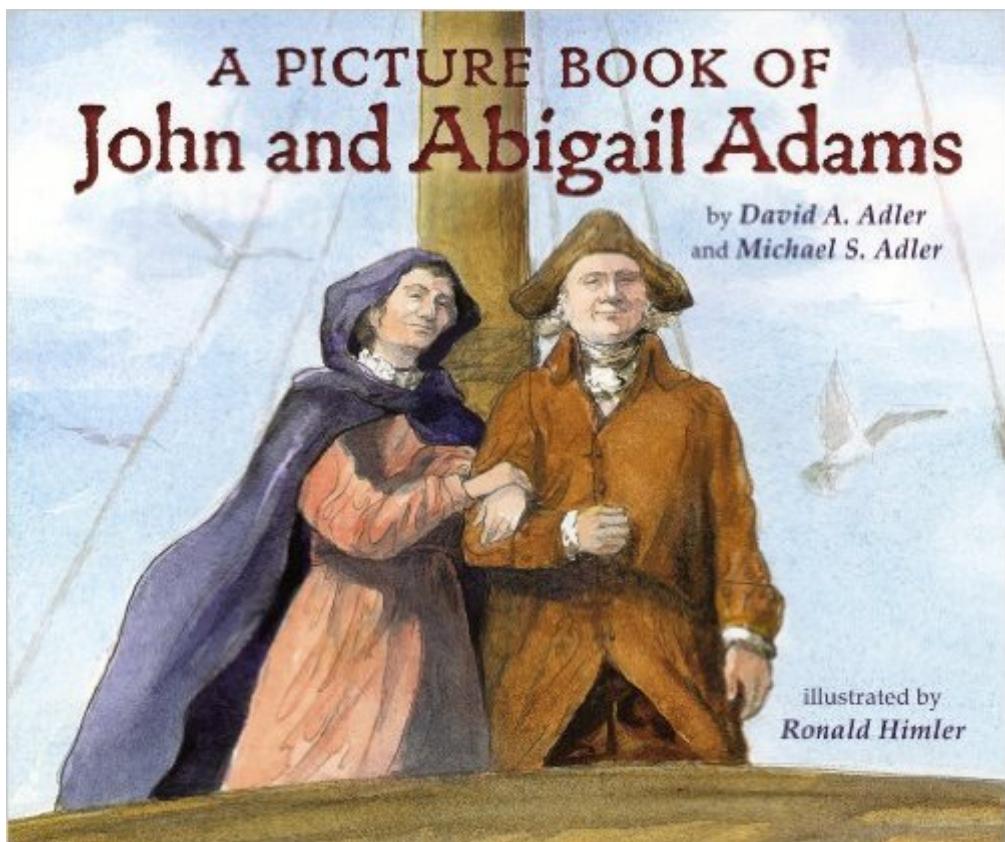


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John Adams was an American patriot and Founding Father, and Abigail, his wife, was his most trusted adviser for more than fifty years. While John served in both Continental Congresses, Abigail managed their farm within earshot of cannon fire. She later advised her husband through amusing letters as he served as our first ambassador to Great Britain. And when John was elected America's first vice president and our second president, Abigail vowed to be his "fellow Laborer"--and she steadfastly lived up to her promise.

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John Adams was an outdoor sort of boy and enjoyed playing outside with his two brothers. He was born in Braintree, Massachusetts on October 19, 1735. Naturally, as an outdoorsy type, he was interested in becoming a farmer, but his father insisted he have an education and wanted him to become a lawyer. By the age of sixteen he had enrolled in Harvard and soon after he graduated he briefly taught school before undertaking a law practice. In 1759 he chanced to meet Abigail Smith who was totally disinterested in him. The feeling was mutual, but in time they grew to appreciate and care for each other quite deeply. Later their affection for one another led to marriage and they eventually had five children. In this book you will read about their lifetime partnership and will see

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