**Objective:** To learn about our president while practicing proper letter formation and developing proper pencil grip.

## **Materials**

- Pencils for Little Hands
- Face Sheet (1 Per Child)

## Activity

1. Learn about President Barack Obama and President James Madison.

Point to the picture of President Obama. This is our President, Barack Obama. He is the 44th President of the United States. The other picture is James Madison, the 4th President of the United States. He was the father of our Constitution. Show children pictures of President Obama and James Madison online or in books. Have children color the pictures of President Obama and President Madison.

2. Demonstrate the name for children to copy.

Prepare double lines on the board. Demonstrate **Obama**, letter by letter.

Capital O: Big Curve, Keep going
Lowercase b: Dive down, swim up and over, around, bump
Lowercase a: Magic c, up like a helicopter, bump, back down, bump
Lowercase m: Start with n, swim up and over, down (m has two humps)
Lowercase a: Magic c, up like a helicopter, bump, back down, bump

3. Repeat the activity with James Madison.

Observe and help as needed. Go to Classroom Downloads in The Learning Lounge at **hwtears.com** if you need letter formation charts.



