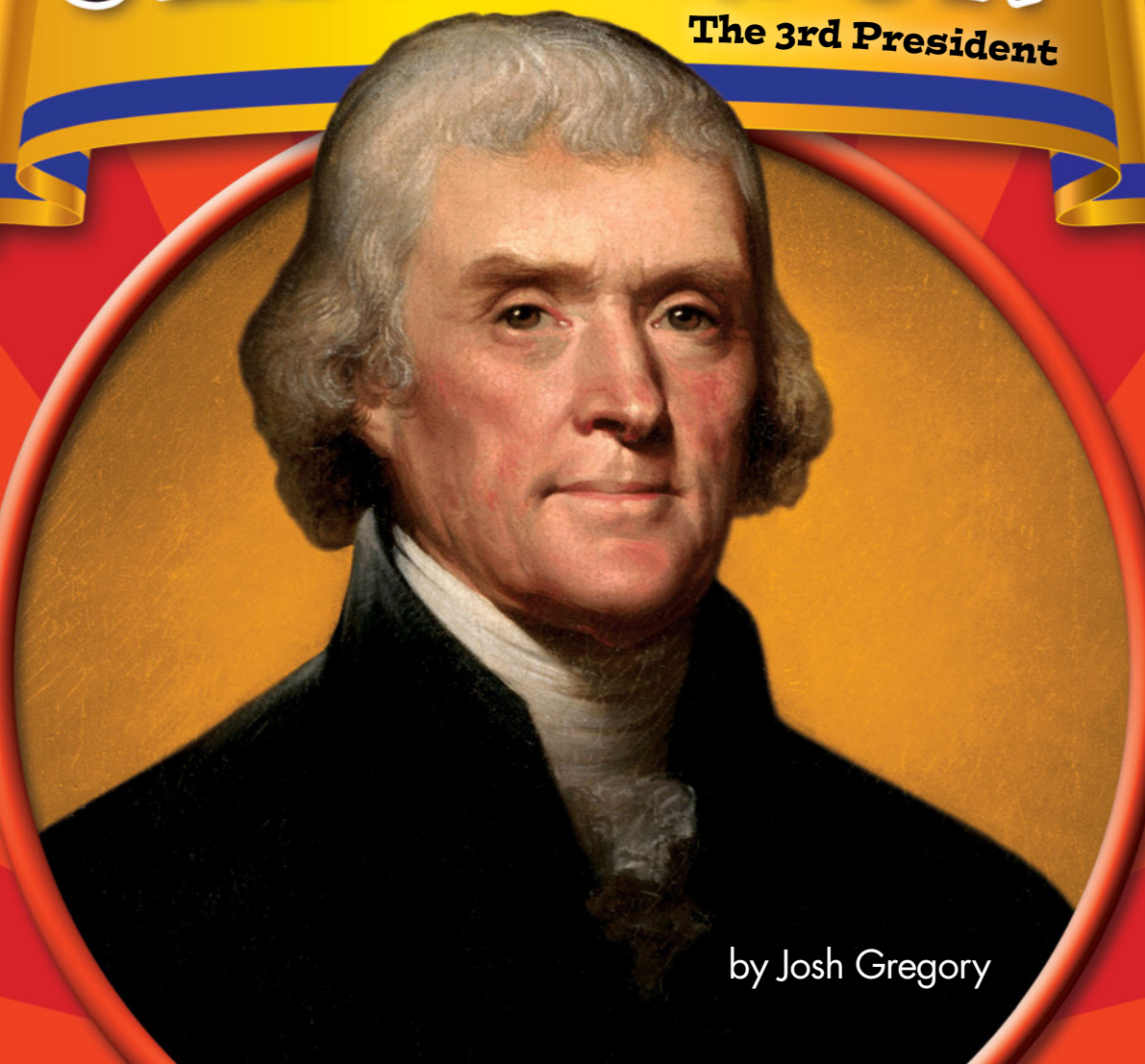




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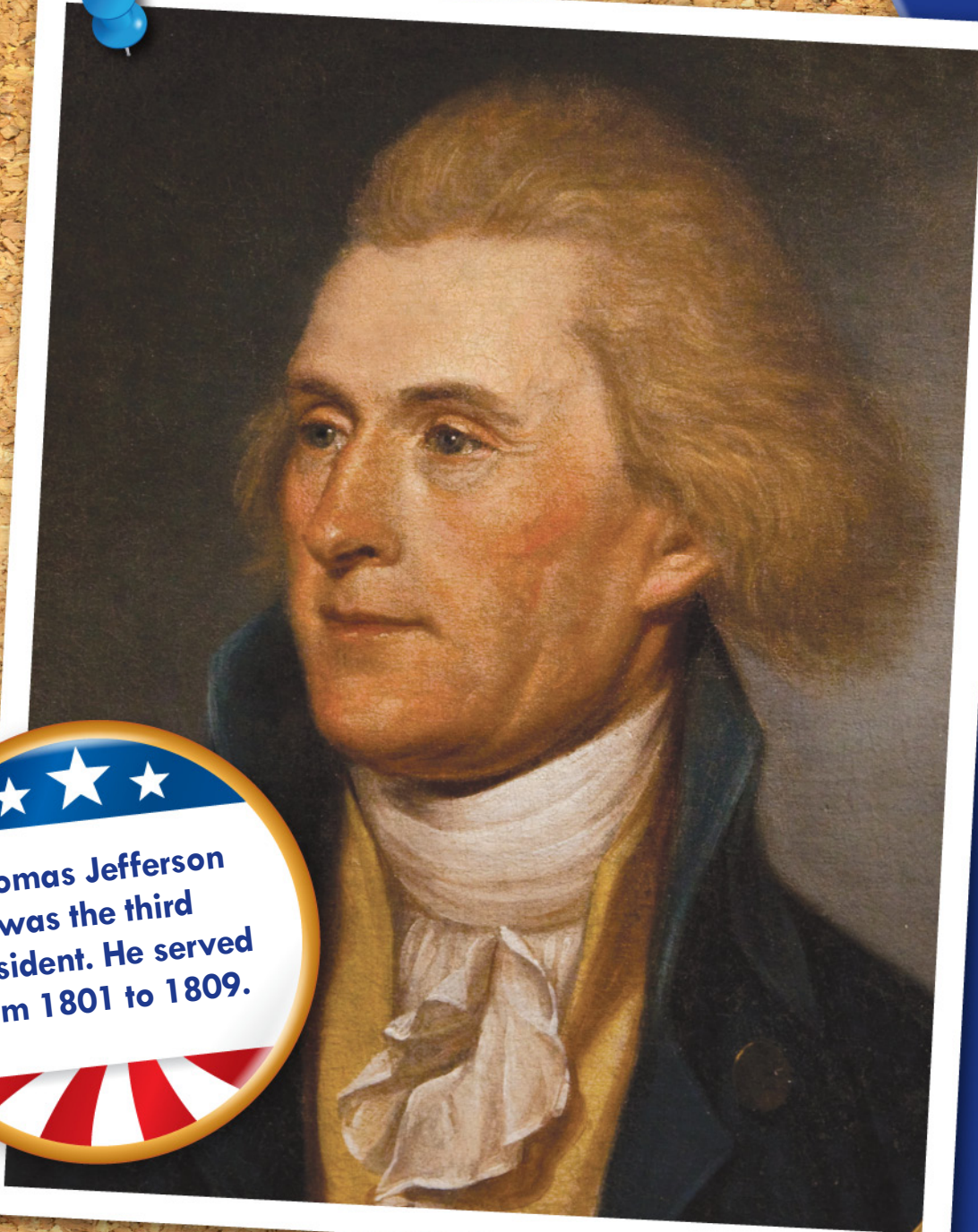
# Leading the Way

Thomas Jefferson was one of the most important Americans of his time. First, as a thinker and writer, he helped shape America's laws and government. Later, as president, he doubled the size of the United States.



Jefferson bought land from France, increasing the size of the United States.





Thomas Jefferson  
was the third  
president. He served  
from 1801 to 1809.





# A Serious Student

Thomas Jefferson was born in 1743 in the **colony** of Virginia. As a child, Thomas loved to learn. He often studied up to 15 hours a day. Later, Thomas became a lawyer.



Thomas went to the College of William & Mary.





Thomas also loved music.  
He played the violin.

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Which president helped shape America's laws and government and doubled the size of the country? Thomas Jefferson! He was the main writer of the Declaration of Independence, and, as president, he purchased a huge piece of land called the Louisiana Territory.

Look inside to discover more about Thomas Jefferson, including what his childhood was like and the different ways we remember him today.

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