

# LEADERS of the Underground Railroad

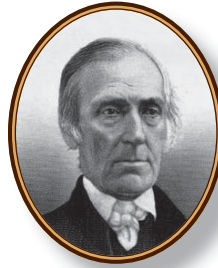
The Underground Railroad was a movement to help slaves escaping from the South find their way to freedom in the North before the Civil War. This series of routes and safe places was a secret organization, since the laws of the time made it a crime to help a slave escape.

The Underground Railroad used codes to keep the activities secret. A conductor was a person who helped guide those escaping. A station master hid escaping slaves in a “depot,” or safe house.



**William Still**  
1821-1902

William Still is often called the “Father of the Underground Railroad.” Born a free man in New Jersey, he later helped as many as 60 escaping slaves a month on the road to freedom.



**Levi Coffin**  
1798-1877

Levi Coffin was called the “President of the Underground Railroad.” His home in Indiana was a major depot.

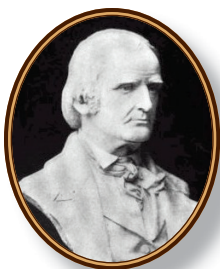
**Harriet Tubman**  
1820-1917

The most famous conductor on the Underground Railroad, Harriet Tubman was called the “Moses” of the movement. A former slave, she made 13 trips South to help others to freedom.



**Rev. Jermain Wesley Loguen**  
1813-1872

Born a slave in Tennessee, Rev. Loguen escaped through the Underground Railroad. Later, his home in New York would be a major depot for the Railroad.



**Rev. John Rankin**  
1793-1886

A conductor in the Underground Railroad, Rev. Rankin hid over 2,000 escaping slaves in his Ohio home.



**Laura Smith Haviland**  
1808-1898

Laura Haviland hid escaping slaves in her home. She also took trips to the South to help escaped slaves.

## Q&A

Who was called the Moses of the Underground Railroad?

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Who was called the Father of the Underground Railroad?

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Who escaped through the Underground Railroad and then used his home as a depot?

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## Unscramble the Words

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