# **Andrew Jackson Scavenger Hunt**

### Objectives:

- Familiarize yourself with Andrew Jackson as the seventh president.
- Identify the three key issues that dominated Jackson's presidency.
- Evaluate the growth of the American federal government during this time period.
- Assess events and issues that led to growing sectionalism.

### **Andrew Jackson: The Person**

Directions:

Go to: http://whitehouse.gov

Type "Andrew Jackson" in the search box on the right side of the page.

Select "Andrew Jackson"

- 1. What were the dates of President Jackson's term?
- 2. Describe President Jackson's road to the presidency. (Including where he was born)
- 3. How is this different from previous presidents?
- 4. Why was President Jackson already famous?
- 5. What two national political parties emerged from President Jackson's time in the office and who were the leaders of each?

## **Andrew Jackson: Famous Inauguration**

Directions:

Go to: http://www.eyewitnesstohistory.com

Click the 19<sup>th</sup> century button in the middle of the headings at the top Scroll down and select the 13<sup>th</sup> subheading "The Inauguration of President Andrew Jackson, 1829)

- 1. Who did President Jackson defeat in the Election of 1828
- 2. What does it mean that the campaign resulted in a "mud-slinging contest?"

- 3. What is this newspaper article describing?
- 4. List two aspects of this article that stand out to you. (ex What kind of people were there to celebrate?)
- 5. What happened when all the people entered the White House?
- 6. What is different about this scene compared to previous presidents?

# Andrew Jackson: 1st Big Issue

#### Directions:

Go to <a href="http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu">http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu</a> Click "Online Textbook" on the left side Scroll down to "Jacksonian Democracy" Click on "The Celebrated Bank War"

- 1. What is the first major political issue that marks President Jackson's presidency?
- 2. In 1816, the federal government chartered the Second Bank of the United States for what reason?
- 3. List three reasons why people did not like the Second Bank of the United States?
- 4. What two choices did President Jackson have concerning the bank in 1832?
- 5. What did President Jackson decide to do and why?
- 6. What does it mean to veto a bill?
- 7. What are "pet banks?"
- 8. Why did President Jackson's supporters agree with his decision?
- 9. Why did his opponents disapprove of his decision?
- 10. How does this issue demonstrate growing sectionalism?

## Andrew Jackson: 2<sup>nd</sup> Big Issue

Directions:

Go to: http://countrystudies.us/united-states/

Scroll down to "Westward Expansion and Regional Differences" Click on "Nullification Crisis"

- 1. What were South Carolinians upset about?
- 2. How did South Carolinians respond to the Tariff of 1832?
- 3. Who authored the idea of "nullification?" What does that mean?
- 4. What other Resolutions is this theory founded in?
- 5. In what two ways did President Jackson respond?
- 6. How was the situation resolved?
- 7. What does this threat lay the groundwork for and how does it explore the idea of sectionalism?

## Andrew Jackson: 3rd Big Issue

Directions:

Go to: http://www.pbs.org

Type "Andrew Jackson" in the search box in the upper right corner Click on the first subheading: "Andrew Jackson: Good, Evil, and the Presidency"

Click on "Themes" (even though it already looks clicked) Choose "Indian Removal"

- 1. What is the Trail of Tears?
- \*Click on "a message to Congress"
- 2. What is Andrew Jackson's view of a prosperous United States look like?
- 3. Why do white settlers use the land better than Native Americans?
- 4. List two reasons Jackson gives Congress for why Native Americans should be removed.
- 5. What will the protection of Government turn these "savages" into, according to Jackson?

- \*Back to the website.
- 6. What does the Indian Removal Act do?
- 7. According to historian Kathryn Braund, why did Americans need that land?

#### **Andrew Jackson: Political Cartoon Material**

Directions:

Stay on the PBS site.

Go back to themes and click on "Political Cartoon Gallery"

- 1. Pick number 4 and explain the political cartoon about King Andrew.
- 2. Pick any other cartoon to explain.

\*If you are finished before class ends. Go to the interactive timeline and look around there or use one of the interactive expansion maps.