

## **“The Man of the People” Web Quest: Thomas Jefferson’s Presidency**

Monday and Tuesday we'll be completing a WebQuest, looking online at sources that will tell us more about Thomas Jefferson and the events of his presidency. *Be sure to stay on task and keep a good pace!*

**Directions: Use the links to answer the questions. Answer the questions in the box (the will adjust in size as you type.)**

### **THOMAS JEFFERSON’S LIFE**

<http://www.history.com/topics/us-presidents/thomas-jefferson>

Use this hyperlink to visit the site “History: Thomas Jefferson”.

1. Using the information under the heading “Marriage and Monticello”, why was slavery a contradictory issue in Jefferson’s life?

2. Using the information found under the heading “Jefferson Becomes Third U.S. President”, where did Jefferson’s inauguration take place?

3. Under the same headline, what was a significant achievement during his first administration?

4. In 1804, Jefferson ran for re-election, who did he defeat? What party was this person involved with?

5. During his second term, Jefferson focused on what?

6. Who was the president after Jefferson?

### **THE LOUISIANA PURCHASE**

[http://www.ducksters.com/history/westward\\_expansion/louisiana\\_purchase.php](http://www.ducksters.com/history/westward_expansion/louisiana_purchase.php)

8. In what year did the Louisiana Purchase happen?

9. Who did the United States purchase the land from?

10. The Louisiana Purchase was the single largest purchase of land ever in the United States. What did it do to the size of the United States?

11. In one sentence, summarize why the United States wanted more land?

12. Why did Thomas Jefferson want to buy the settlement of New Orleans?

13. Due to money troubles Napoleon Bonaparte of France offered to sell the whole Louisiana Territory for how much?

14. How many square miles was the Louisiana Territory? How many states did it divide into?

15. Why did some people oppose the Louisiana Purchase?

## **THE WAR OF 1812**

<http://www.socialstudiesforkids.com/articles/ushistory/thewarof18121.htm>

16. The War of 1812 is also called what?

17. Who was the war between? Who else was involved?

18. What caused the war of 1812?

19. Thomas Jefferson was trying to remain neutral, but what did the French and British think?

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20. What was the Embargo Act of 1807? Why was it a disaster?

21. Why did the American people want war?

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22. How did the British use the policy of impressment?

23. What were the people called who wanted war with Britain?

24. Why did the American side surrender during the first real battle of the war?

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25. The battles continued. When the British invaded the streets of Washington, D.C, what happened?

26. Who wrote the Star Spangled Banner?

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27. When did the war officially end? What was the name of the treaty?

28. After they signed the treaty, why did Andrew Jackson continue fighting in the Battle of New Orleans?

