

The Early Republic

Lesson 5.7 Jacksonian Democracy

Key Terms

Jacksonian Democracy
caucus
Andrew Jackson
Martin Van Buren
spoils system
Indian Removal Act
Trail of Tears
Tariff of Abominations
John C. Calhoun
nullification
Whigs

Andrew Jackson Enters National Politics:

1. **Draw Inferences** Why did Andrew Jackson find support from the southern and western states?
2. **Identify Cause and Effect** How did the changes in voting rights affect American democracy?
3. **Draw Conclusions** What political strategies contributed to Andrew Jackson's success in the election of 1828?

American Indian Removal:

4. **Explain Arguments** Why did Andrew Jackson think that the American Indians should be removed and sent to Oklahoma? Cite evidence from his quotes in the text.
5. **Draw Conclusions** What did the Trail of Tears show about many people's views about American Indians at the time?

The Debate Over Nullification:

6. **Analyze Interactions Among Individuals, Events, and Ideas** How was the debate over nullification related to the conflict that later spiraled into the Civil War?
7. **Draw Inferences** Why were the southern states opposed to high tariffs?

Economic Change Leads to the Bank War:

8. **Summarize** Explain why Andrew Jackson and many southerners opposed the creation of a national bank.
9. **Compare and Contrast** Use the graphic organizer below to show the differences between the beliefs of the Whigs and the Jacksonian Democrats. Also include information about the people who made up each party.
10. **Determine Central Ideas** How did Andrew Jackson exercise the power of the executive branch to a different extent than previous presidents? Cite evidence.

National Politics After Jackson:

11. **Identify Cause and Effect** What caused the Panic of 1837?
12. **Draw Inferences** What events and strategies contributed to the Whig victory in the Election of 1840?