

Objectives

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Andrew Jackson

Hero or Villain?



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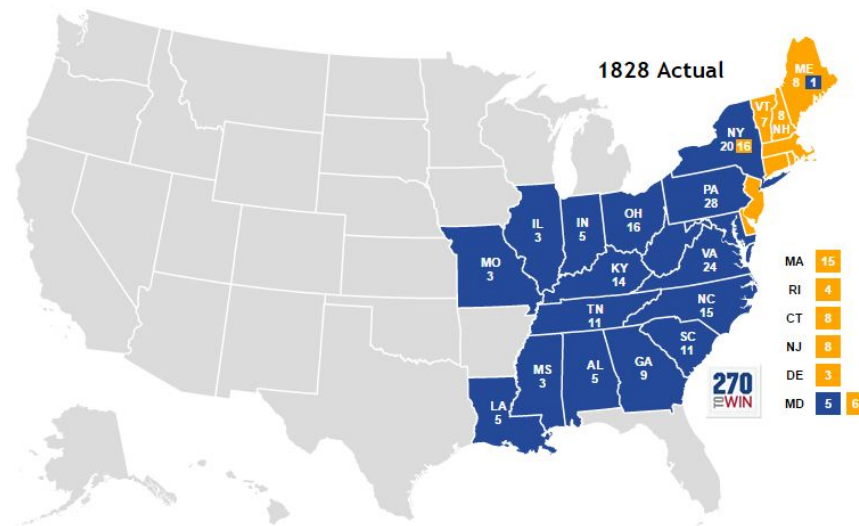
Andrew Jackson Fun Facts

- 7th president of the United States
- First president born in a log cabin
- Born to poverty in South Carolina
- Man of the people
- Native American fighter
- Bar room brawler
- Duelist with 2 bullets in his body
- Left office with zero debt
- Forever changed the role of the president
- Slave owner
- Hero of New Orleans
- Almost assassinated
- Nearly beat his would be assassin to death
- Join the army at 13 to fight in the Revolutionary War

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The Election of 1828:

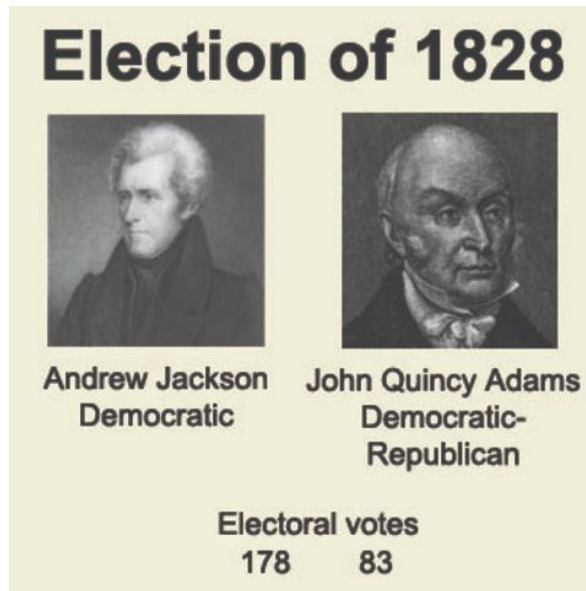
- Between Andrew Jackson and John Quincy Adams
- First dirty campaign (mudslinging)
 - Adams accused Jackson's wife of adultery
 - Jackson accused Adams of being an aristocrat who broke the sabbath by gambling



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Election of 1828 Continued:

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- First Democrat to be elected president
- First "Man of the People" Elected



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The Spoils System

“To the Victor go the Spoils”

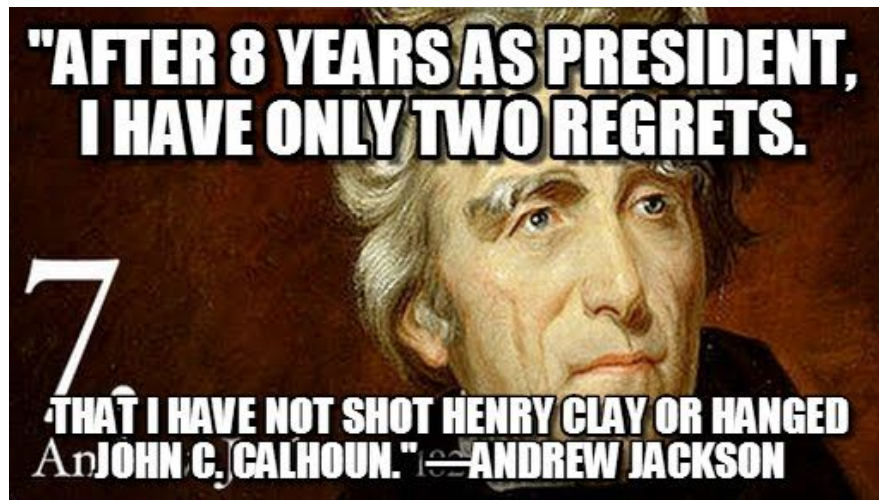
- First introduced during Jackson's presidency
- Says that the president has the power to give government jobs to his supporters after the winning of an election
- Also allowed to fire these workers if they do not support the president
- Andrew Jackson fired his competitors and hired his friends
- Also fired many cabinet members (13 in all)



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The Nullification Crisis

- The Tariff Acts of 1828 and 1832 were designed to help northern industry by taxing foreign goods brought into the country
- The Tariffs helped business in the North and hurt business in the South



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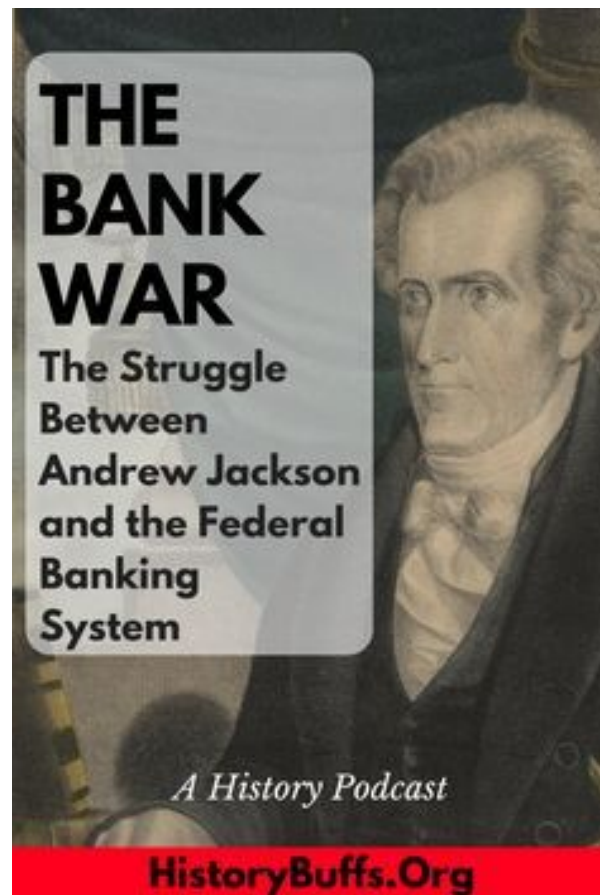
- South Carolina said it had the right to "Nullify" (say no to) the Tariff Acts
- Jackson says **NO YOU DON'T!!!**
- South Carolina threatened to secede (leave) from the USA
- Jackson promised to march down to SC with troops and hang its leaders if they left
- A new tariff act was passed and a compromise was reached



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The War with the Bank

- Jackson says the Second National Bank of the U.S. has too much power
- The National Bank was up for recharter in 1832
- Jackson vetoed the bank's charter
- Basically tells the National Bank "You can no longer be in charge of the U.S.A.'s money"



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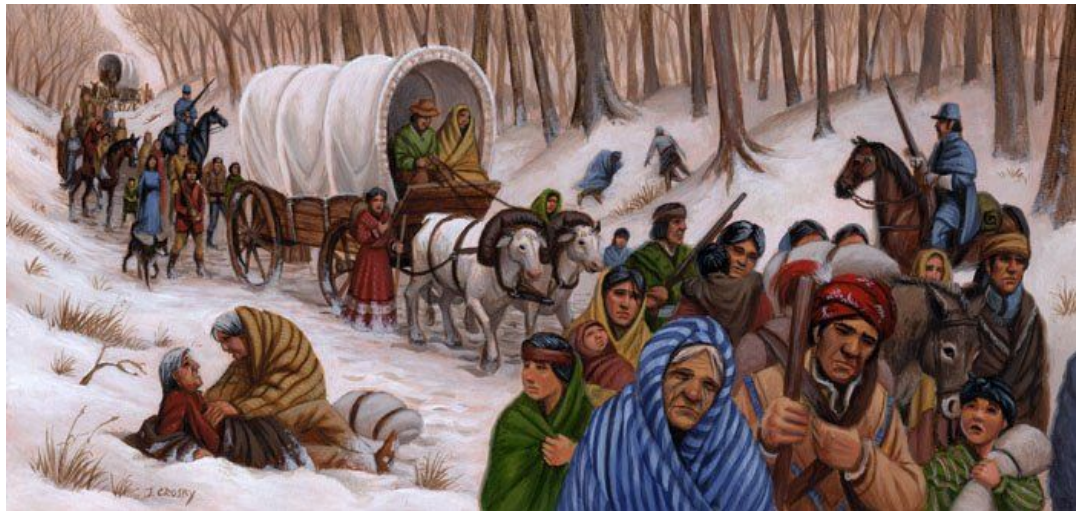
- He put the money from the nation banks in smaller banks
- He sold land in the west to settlers and put that money in smaller banks
- Jackson pays off the National Debt
- Only president ever to leave office with zero debt



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Indian Removal Act of 1830

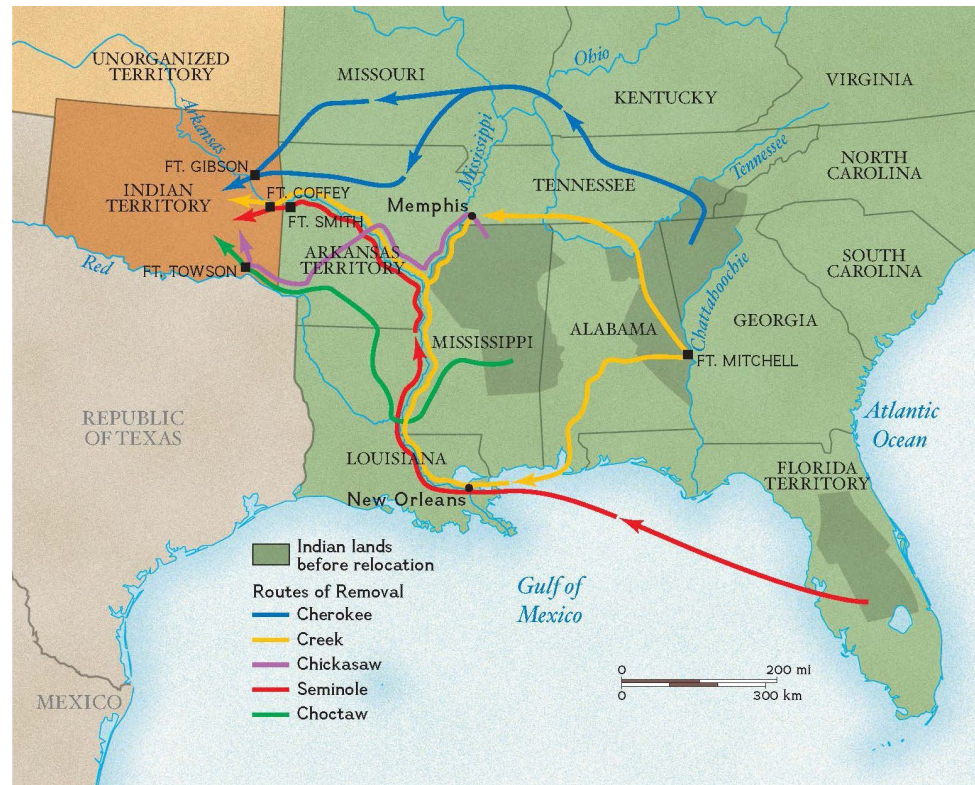
- Native Americans and Americans have had disputes for hundreds of years
- In 1830 Jackson signed a bill that forced all Native American tribes to move west of the Mississippi River to a desert in the land that is now Oklahoma



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Indian Removal Act of 1830 cont....

- Cherokees, Creeks, Chickasaws, Choctaws and Seminoles were the major tribes forced to moved
- Cherokees took their fight to stay in their lands to the Supreme Court and won
- Jackson ignored the Supreme Court's decision and enforced the law anyway



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The Trail of Tears

- Native Americans were forced at gunpoint to move west of the Mississippi River
- Could only bring what they could carry with them
- Had to walk the entire way with little provisions (aprox 2,200 miles)
- About 1 out of every 4 Native Americans forced to move died along the way
- Most were young children and the elderly



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Summarize your notes

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