

War of 1812 Discussion Questions

Directions: Answer each of the following questions on a separate sheet of paper.

1. Who were the "War Hawks?"
2. What role did Dolly Madison play during her husband's presidency?
3. How prepared was America for war in 1812? Where was recruitment appealing? Where did it not go well and why?
4. What were the successes and failures of the American military in the first year of the war?
5. Explain President Madison's strategic vision for the invasion of Canada. Why did it fail?
6. What were the causes/effects of the British invasion of 1814?
7. How was Andrew Jackson already making a military name for himself in the first years of the war?
8. What effect did the Battle of New Orleans have on the war? On Andrew Jackson's career?
9. List the provision of the Treaty of Ghent?
10. Identify the immediate and long-term effects of the War of 1812 on America.
11. Why did New England oppose the War of 1812?
12. What effect did the Hartford Convention have on Federalist policy?