Andrew Jackson: Man of the People?

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| Preview: What can you infer about Andrew Jackson based on this cartoon? | Background Info on Andrew Jackson’s road to the Presidency |
|  | Andrew Jackson runs for President in 1824 against John Quincy Adams and Henry Clay. At this time, the popular vote of the people is counted and Andrew Jackson receives it. The Electoral College, however, is what counts and nobody receives the required majority so the House of Representatives must choose. Henry Clay is the Speaker of the House of Reps and hates Jackson so he drops out of the race and John Quincy Adams becomes president. Henry Clay gets a cabinet position. Andrew Jackson accuses them of making a corrupt bargain.  In the election of 1828, Andrew Jackson runs again against John Quincy Adams. During the election, opponents went after Jackson’s wife since she was technically still married to another man when she married Jackson. The strain of the attacks was too much as she died suddenly after buying the gown she bought for the her husband’s inauguration. |

Vocab to watch for…

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| Old Hickory | Cleaned House | Petticoats | Kitchen | Mississippi | Supreme Court | Nullify | Southern | Supreme Leader |
| Log Cabin | Enemies | Margaret Eaton | The West | Choctaw | Enforce | New England | Hang | Jackass |
| Tennessee | Friends | Resign | Indian | Cherokee | One | South Carolina | Tariff | Democratic |

Video: History Channel “The Presidents” Episode 2 (starts at 11:30).

1. Jackson is the first president who was a common man and born in a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. He was from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and was a Democrat.

2. Once in office, Jackson implements the Spoils System. His belief is that he needs to fire his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and hire his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

3. One of the first scandals he dealt with was called The Battle of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. One of his secretary’s wives was accused of having an affair with her current husband while she was married to her previous one. The wives of Washington’s politicians shunned her and Andrew Jackson got mad so two years later, he asked his cabinet members to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and they did.

4. Rather than use his official cabinet, Jackson came to rely on an informal group of friends and confidants known as the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Cabinet.

5. The first main legislation he supported and got passed was the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Removal Act of 1830. It called for the forcible removal of native tribes located east of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ River.

6. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ decided to handle the situation different from their ancestors by taking Georgia to court. The courts sided with the Native Americans.

7. Jackson replied about Chief Justice John Marshall “He made the ruling, now let’s see him \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it.”

8. The Cherokee are forced to march by gunpoint and \_\_\_\_\_ in 4 die on the Trail of Tears.

9. Another issue came with the South Carolina Nullification Crisis: S.C. was upset about a high federal \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on European Goods that helped \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ business at the expense of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ planters.

10. Jackson may have relented but his enemy John C. Calhoun was involved. He threatened to start a Civil War and go to SC to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Calhoun. Finally, through all the political battles, SC backed down and Congress modified the tariff.

11. When Andrew Jackson ran for president in 1828, his opponents called him a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. He liked the image so it became the new mascot for the Democratic party.