

4.8 Jackson and Federal Power

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Objective

Build the skills to explain the **second party system** 第二党制.

You must be able to:

- name the two parties and their leaders
- name the three issues they disagreed about
- state what frontier settlers championed
- state what American Indian resistance led to

1 Worked examples

Study these first. Each one shows the method for a task used later.

■ Two parties

By the 1820s and 1830s, new political parties arose —the Democrats, led by Andrew Jackson, and the Whigs, led by Henry Clay.

■ Three issues

They disagreed about the role and powers of the federal government and issues such as the national bank, tariffs, and federally funded internal improvements. All three are the same underlying question about federal power.

■ Frontier settlers

Frontier settlers tended to champion expansion efforts, while American Indian resistance led to a sequence of wars and federal efforts to control and relocate American Indian populations.

■ A sequence

The CED says a **sequence** of wars, not a single conflict. Removal was a policy carried out over years against organised resistance, not a single event.

2 Practice

2.1 Name the two parties and their leaders.

[2]

2.2 Name the three issues they disagreed about. [3]

2.3 The CED says a sequence of wars.

(a) State what this indicates. [2]

(b) State what frontier settlers tended to champion. [1]

3 Exam-style questions

3.1 The Whigs were led by [1]

- **A** Henry Clay
 - **B** Andrew Jackson
 - **C** Thomas Jefferson
 - **D** James Madison
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3.2 The three issues are all versions of a question about [1]

- **A** federal power
 - **B** foreign policy
 - **C** religion
 - **D** immigration
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3.3 Two parties disagree about a bank, a tariff and road funding.

(a) State the common question. [1]

(b) Explain why the specific issues change while the division persists. [2]

4 Go further

- work through the **4.8 Jackson and Federal Power** lesson on the **Learn** page;
- read the **Period 4: 1800-1848** section of the AP US History handout on the **Know** page.

Solutions

2.1 the Democrats led by Andrew Jackson; the Whigs led by Henry Clay.

2.2 the national bank; tariffs; federally funded internal improvements.

2.3 (a) that removal was carried out over years against organised resistance rather than in a single event. (b) expansion efforts.

3.1 A. Henry Clay.

3.2 A. federal power.

3.3 (a) the role and powers of the federal government. (b) each issue asks whether the federal government should act in a new area, so the same division reappears whenever a new proposal arises.