

Zinn Assignments 7

ZINN CHAPTER 7: Study Questions

"As Long as Grass Grows or Water Runs"

1. What is the major theme (recurring idea) in this chapter.
2. What evidence does Zinn cite to illustrate the overall impact of Indian removal?
3. Contrast Thomas Jefferson's views as Secretary of State concerning Indian policy with those during his presidency. Why did his views change?
4. Explain Zinn's use of irony when describing the Battle of Horseshoe Bend?
5. How does Andrew Jackson's early political/military career foreshadow his Indian policies as President?
6. How does Zinn's view of the War of 1812 contrast with traditional histories?
7. Create a basic outline of Jackson's Indian-related activities and their significance prior to his presidency (treaties, land speculation, etc.)
8. Explain Zinn's view of Arthur Schlesinger's The Age of Jackson and Marvin Meyers' The Jacksonian Persuasion.
9. Describe evidence Zinn utilizes to assess the views of Lewis Cass vis-à-vis Native American policy.
10. Create a table illustrating the fate of major Southeastern Indian tribes.
11. To what extent did the Cherokee nation change its culture in order to survive within the U.S?
12. For what purpose does Zinn juxtapose the Nullification Controversy of 1832 and the enforcement of Worcester v. Georgia?
13. Explain the significance of the phrase: "As long as grass grows or water runs."