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[Andrew Jackson: History Channel](https://vimeo.com/64480006)

1. How did Jackson get a scar on his hand and a crease on his forehead? Did the experience that gave him his scar foreshadow any future events in his life?
2. What events in Jackson’s early life do you think were most important in shaping his future career? Why?
3. Why was Jackson’s marriage to Rachael Donelson controversial?
4. How did Jackson get the nickname Old Hickory? Why do you think this nickname stuck with him throughout his life?
5. Why was capturing New Orleans so vital to the British plan in the War of 1812? Why do you think this was regarded as a key moment in his career?
6. What convinced Jackson to run for president in 1824? How did he fair in that election?
7. Why was the campaign of 1828 considered dirty? Did anyone step above the fray so as to not slander other candidates?
8. What were Jackson’s main goals of his presidency? Were his goals too ambitious?
9. What is the definition of “Jacksonian democracy”? What does this term reveal about the changes in American politics during Jackson’s era?
10. How did Jackson fix the national debt during his presidency? What effects did his decisions regarding the national debt have on the country?
11. What was the Trail of Tears? Why did Jackson hold such hostilities toward Native American tribes? Do you think his actions tarnished his reputation beyond repair? Discuss.
12. If you were to list three of Andrew Jackson’s most important and influential policies or contributions to U.S. history, either positive or negative, what would they be and why?