

Ms. Tria/AP US History  
Project: Impeachment of Andrew Jackson  
Unit: Age of Jackson

Project Assigned: Thursday, October 18, 2012  
Project Due: Wednesday, October 24, 2012 (oral presentation and your Harvard Outline of notes to support your position)

It is March, 1834, and Andrew Jackson, the seventh president of the USA, is in danger of being impeached by the House of Representatives for assuming powers not conferred to the chief executive by the Constitution. If convicted by the Senate, Jackson will be forced to resign and his vice president, Martin Van Buren, will assume the presidency.

You will be assigned a role as either a member of the House Judiciary Committee giving arguments in favor of impeachment or a member of the President's defense team. See the website for further details about resources available and the task assigned to you.

We will hold an in class debate on Wednesday, October 24 and Thursday, October 25 wherein each side (Pro and Con) will present its position on three specific articles of impeachment.

Articles of Impeachment:

1. President Jackson violated the separation of powers in his actions to destroy the Second Bank of the United States.

Pro

Con

2. President Jackson violated states' rights in his dealings with South Carolina in the nullification crisis.

Pro

Con

3. President Jackson violated laws, treaties, and Supreme Court orders in his dealings with Native Americans.

Pro

Con