TASK SHEET & ORGANIZER—REMOVAL & RELOCATION OF THE SEMINOLES

# GROUP TASK:

With your group, research the background, removal, and relocation of the Seminole tribe to Oklahoma territory. Use the note organizer and guiding questions on the next page to guide your research. The sources below can help you answer the guiding questions (an asterisk [\*] indicates primary sources). Divide up the work and share answers.

Once your group completes the note organizer, create three slides that address the guiding questions.

# RESEARCH LINKS:

**Seminole Tribe Information:**

Seminole history. (2020). Culture and history. Tribal historic preservation office. <http://www.stofthpo.com/History-Seminole-Tribe-FL-Tribal-Historic-Preservation-Office.html>

**Removal and Relocation:**

Boardman, M. (2017). Another trail of tears. True west magazine. <https://truewestmagazine.com/another-trail-tears/>

Removal of tribes to Oklahoma (n.d.). Oklahoma historical society. <https://www.okhistory.org/research/airemoval>

**Responses to Removal:**

The Seminole wars. (2020). The Florida department of state. <https://dos.myflorida.com/florida-facts/florida-history/seminole-history/the-seminole-wars/>

\*Coacooche. (1841). Digital history. <http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp_textbook.cfm?smtid=3&psid=684>

\*Robinson, J. (1996). President Andrew Jackson asked Seminoles in letter to leave Florida. Orlando sentinel. <https://www.orlandosentinel.com/news/os-xpm-1996-03-03-9602291880-story.html> (*Includes quotes from Jackson’s letter to the Seminoles.)*

NOTES ORGANIZER

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| **Guiding Questions** | **Notes** | **Source of Information** |
| Prior to Removal: Where were the Seminoles’ ancestral homes?  What was their lifestyle there? |  |  |
| Removal and Relocation: How and when were Seminoles removed from their homeland?  What was it like on the Trail of Tear to Oklahoma territory?  Where were Seminoles eventually relocated in Oklahoma? |  |  |
| Response: How did the Seminoles and their leaders respond to removal and relocation? |  |  |
| Additional Facts: Add any interesting or surprising facts found during your research. |  |  |