# TASK SHEET & ORGANIZER—THE CHEROKEE NATION AND SUPREME COURT CASES

#### **GROUP TASK:**

With your group, research how the Cherokee tribe appealed to the federal government to stop removal from their ancestral lands. 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:**

### **Cherokee Response to Removal:**

Indian Removal, 1814-1858. (n.d.). PBS.org. https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/aia/part4/4p2959.html

## **Supreme Court Cases:**

Cherokee nation v. Georgia (1831). Resistance in the courts. Digital history. http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp\_textbook.cfm?smtid=3&psid=682

Worcester v. Georgia (1832). Resistance in the courts. Digital history. <a href="http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp">http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp</a> textbook.cfm?smtid=3&psid=691

Worcester v. Georgia (n.d.). Oyez. https://www.oyez.org/cases/1789-1850/31us515

### **Responses by Individuals:**

\*Jackson, A. (1829). Jackson's rationale for removal. Digital history.

<a href="http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp">http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp</a> textbook.cfm?smtid=3&psid=676 (Andrew Jackson explains his reasons for Indian removal from southern states.)

\*Ross, J. (1834). Responses to removal. Digital history.

<a href="http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp-textbook.cfm?smtid=3&psid=675">http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp-textbook.cfm?smtid=3&psid=675</a> (Cherokee Chief John Ross' viewpoint on removal from Cherokee lands.)



# **NOTES ORGANIZER**

Guiding Questions	Notes	Source of Information
Cherokee Response to Removal: How did the Cherokee tribe protect itself to prevent removal from their homelands?		
Cherokee Nation Vs. Georgia (1831) What was the outcome of the Supreme Court case in Cherokee Nation vs. the state of Georgia?		
Worcester Vs. Georgia (1832)  What was the outcome of the Supreme Court case in Worcester vs. the state of Georgia?		
Additional Facts: Add any interesting or surprising facts found during your research.		