**War-Westward Expansion Study Guide**

War 1812

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| Winner? | No clear winner, both United States and Britain maintained the land that they had control over before the war |
| Why did the war begin? | The British were capturing U.S. Ships and forcing Americans to be part of the British Navy, Impressment |

Manifest Destiny

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| Manifest Destiny | “Natural Right” of Americans to add land between the Atlantic and Pacific Ocean |
| Mexican War | President James K Polk went to war with Mexico over Texas border dispute |
| Land Acquired during Manifest Destiny | Texas,Arizona, California, Wyoming, New Mexico, Nevada, Utah and Oregon |

Monroe Doctrine

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| Monroe Doctrine | - U.S. warned European countries from setting up colonies in the Western Hemisphere and if they did the United States would interfere  - U.S. would stay out of European Issues |

Homestead Act/Railroads/ Erie Canal

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| Homestead Act | Gave cheap land to people who settled in the Western Territory |
| Railroads and Canals | -Built to connect areas in the Midwest to areas along the Atlantic Coast  -Transcontinental Railroad help settle the west |
| Erie Canal | Connected Midwest to Atlantic Ocean  Great Lakes-Erie Canal-Hudson River-Atlantic Ocean |
| Gold Rush | California was settled as a result of gold being found |

Andrew Jackson

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| Spoils System | Jackson rewarded supporters who helped him become elected President by giving them Federal government jobs |
| Indian Removal Act | - Jackson order Native Americans to be moved out of land that the American settler desired  - Trail of Tears, movement of Native Americans to Oklahoma Territory  - Hundreds of Native Americans died during the move |
| Expanded Presidential Power | - Implementation of the Spoils System  - Vetoed many bills that came from Congress, was compared to a “King” |