The War of 1812 – A Webquest

Directions: Go to: <u>http://www.nps.gov/fomc/castyourvote/</u> and watch the introduction video of President Madison, then click on "Explore Perspectives". The 8 people seen here were real figures from 1812 with different perspectives on whether to go to war with England or not. Watch each video and answer the questions below.

1. Which 4 people oppose war with Britain and what are their reasons for not wanting to go to war?

2. Which 4 people want the US to go to war and what are their reasons?

II. Open http://www.nps.gov/revwar/unfinished_revolution/war_of_1812.html and complete the following:

- 3. What did the American leaders in 1812 believe when they declared war on Great Britain?
- 4. What did Americans along the western frontier believe the British were doing?
- 5. What were three outcomes of the War of 1812?

III. Open http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/united-states-nicknamed-uncle-sam and complete the following:

6. Where did the United States nickname "Uncle Sam" come from?

7. Who was the famous political cartoonist who made Uncle Sam popular?

IV. During the War of 1812, Native Americans had to decide if they would support the Americans or the British. American settlers were constantly moving their homes onto Native land, so the Native Americans generally supported the British, since they lived across the ocean and would not be a direct threat to Native land. Open: http://www.ohiohistorycentral.org/w/Battle_of_Tippecanoe?rec=482 and complete thefollowing:

- 8. What did Tecumseh believe?
- 9. Why did William Henry Harrison send troops to Prophetstown?

10. How did the Prophet convince the rest of the natives to attack the American forces?