

TASK SHEET & ORGANIZER—REMOVAL & RELOCATION OF THE CHEROKEES

GROUP TASK:

With your group, research the background, removal, and relocation of the Cherokee 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:

Cherokee Tribe Information:

Cherokee. (n.d.). Oklahoma historical society.

<https://www.okhistory.org/publications/enc/entry.php?entryname=CHEROKEE>

History. (n.d.). Cherokee nation website. <https://www.cherokee.org/about-the-nation/history/>

Removal and Relocation:

Garrison, T. (2004). Cherokee removal. New Georgia encyclopedia.

<https://www.georgiaencyclopedia.org/articles/history-archaeology/cherokee-removal#Origins-of-Removal-Policy>

*Gen. Winifield Scott's address to the Cherokee nation (1838). Georgiainfo.com.

<https://georgiainfo.galileo.usg.edu/topics/history/article/antebellum-era-1801-1860/gen-winfied-scotts-address-to-the-cherokee-nation>

Removal of tribes to Oklahoma. (n.d.). Oklahoma historical society.

<https://www.okhistory.org/research/airemoval>

Responses to Removal:

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

http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp_textbook.cfm?smtid=3&psid=675 (*Cherokee Chief John Ross expresses his views on removal from ancestral lands.*)

*Worcester v. Georgia (1832). Resistance in the courts. Digital history. Retrieved from:

http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp_textbook.cfm?smtid=3&psid=691 (*Cherokees are recognized by the Supreme Court as a sovereign nation.*)

NOTES ORGANIZER

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