

# TASK SHEET & ORGANIZER—REMOVAL & RELOCATION OF THE CHOCTAWS

## GROUP TASK:

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

### Choctaw Tribe Information:

History (n.d.). Mississippi band of Choctaw Indians.

<https://www.choctaw.org/aboutMBCI/history/index.html>

### Removal and Relocation:

O'Brien, G. (2017). Mushulatubbee and Choctaw removal: Chiefs confront a changing world. Mississippi historical society.

<http://www.mshistorynow.mdah.ms.gov/articles/12/mushulatubbee-and-choctaw-removal-chiefs-confront-a-changing-world>

Removal and relocation to Oklahoma. (n.d.). Oklahoma historical society.

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

\*Trail of tears. (n.d.). Oklahoma historical society.

<https://www.okhistory.org/publications/enc/entry.php?entry=TR003> (Includes direct quote by witness to Choctaw trail of tears.)

### Responses to Removal:

\*Admin. (2011). The Choctaw removal. Native American roots website.

<http://nativeamericannetroots.net/diary/1034> (Includes direct quotes by Andrew Jackson and Choctaw Chief Pushmataha and Chief David Folsom.)

\*Pushmataha (1811). Survival stories. Digital history.

[http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp\\_textbook.cfm?smtid=3&psid=661](http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp_textbook.cfm?smtid=3&psid=661) (This is a speech by Pushmataha, a Choctaw chief, to his people.)

## NOTES ORGANIZER

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

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