

APUSH
Chapter 11 EQs

1. What was the significance of the Jeffersonian “Revolution of 1800” in relation to the new republican experiment and the fierce political battles of the 1790s? (See Chapter 10)
2. How did the conflict between Federalists and Republicans over the judiciary lead to a balance of power among political interests and different branches of government?
3. What were the political and economic consequences of the Louisiana Purchase?
4. What was the essential idea behind Jefferson’s imposition of the embargo, and why did it finally fail?
5. What were the real causes of the War of 1812? Was the declaration of war a “mistake,” or the result of President Madison’s genuine fear that the American republican experiment could fail?
6. How would the key events of this period- the spread of Jeffersonian Democracy, the Louisiana Purchase, and the new war with Britain- look in the eyes of an American Indian leader like Tecumseh?
7. Thomas Jefferson prided himself on the principles of democracy, local self-rule, and limited government. How effectively did he and his friend and successor Madison transform those principles into policy? Could it be argued that Jefferson ironically laid the foundation for an imperial United States and a powerful federal government?