

Make a Timeline

Follow the instructions to complete the activity.

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Match the year to the correct description. Check your answers with pages 8–9 of the book.

1.	June 20, 1812
2.	January 22, 1813
3.	April 27, 1813
4.	August 24–25, 1814
5.	September 12–14, 1814
6.	December 24, 1814

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The Treaty of Ghent is signed to end the war. It restores the relationship between the combatants to its pre-war state.

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British forces attack Washington, D.C., and burn government buildings, including the Capitol and the White House.

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President James Madison signs a declaration of war on Great Britain.

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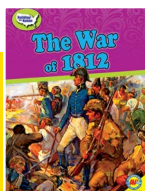
American soldiers are killed after a battle at the River Raisin. The phrase “Remember the Raisin” is used by U.S. soldiers to remember the massacre.

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A British attempt to capture the city of Baltimore fails when soldiers are unable to take Fort McHenry.

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U.S. forces successfully capture and burn the city of York, now known as Toronto.



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True or False

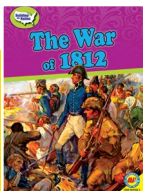
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Using the information in *The War of 1812*, verify whether the following information is true or false. Check your answers in the book. List the page number where you found your information beside your answer.

Statement 1	William Hull was the governor of the Michigan Territory.	☐ True ☐ False	Page Number	
Statement 2	During the War of 1812, many early battles focused on forts.	☐ True ☐ False	Page Number	
Statement 3	Many U.S. ships could not get past the British blockade.	☐ True ☐ False	Page Number	
Statement 4	The beginning of the war focused on the city of New Orleans.	☐ True ☐ False	Page Number	
Statement 5	The Battle of Lake Erie gave the United States a much-needed victory.	☐ True ☐ False	Page Number	



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Fill in the Blanks

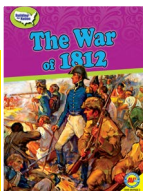
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Use the information found in *The War of 1812* to help you complete the following activity.

1. The United States also faced problems on the near the Great Lakes.
2. Many U.S. leaders thought the British would without a fight.
3. Tecumseh was the leader of the .
4. The survived the War of 1812. Today, it is the world's oldest commissioned naval ship still floating.
5. British soldiers set fire to government buildings in Washington, D.C., in response to the burning of by Americans the previous year.
6. The final text of the did not mention impressment. This left a major cause of the war unresolved.



Using information from the book, select an answer from the right and write the letter in the box beside the statement.

During the Battle of Baltimore, Fort McHenry was attacked by this many British ships.

☐**A. 1814**

About this many soldiers died during the War of 1812.

☐**B. 105**

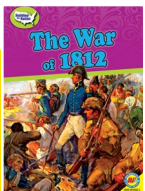
The War of 1812 cost the U.S. government this many million dollars.

☐**C. 16**

British and U.S. leaders signed the Treaty of Ghent in this year.

☐**D. 20,000**

When the U.S. Senate voted on whether to declare war on Great Britain, this many senators voted in favor of the war, while 13, including Chauncey Goodrich, voted against it.

☐**E. 19**

Key Events

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Major historical events are often the topic of news stories. Choose one of the key events in the book, then write a news story in the space provided below.

News stories focus on a specific event and date in time. Be sure to present all sides of the story. Your news story should include the answers to the following five key questions.

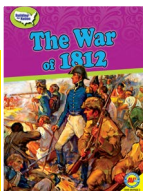
1. Who is the story about? This may be a person, group, organization, or company, for example.

2. What is the event?

3. Where did the event take place? This should include the city, town, or region.

4. When did the event take place? This should include the complete date and, if possible, the time.

5. Why is the event important? Explain why the event is relevant. How did the event impact people or the community?



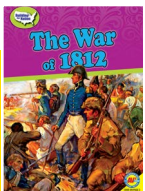
Quiz

Test your knowledge by answering these quiz questions.

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- 1** What document ended the war?
- 2** What was the population of the United States in 1812?
- 3** What nickname was given to the USS *Constitution*?
- 4** What city was attacked by American forces on April 27, 1813?
- 5** How many U.S. citizens were forced to serve in the Royal Navy between 1807 and 1812?
- 6** How many British ships attacked Fort McHenry?
- 7** Which side did Tecumseh support during the war?
- 8** How long did the War of 1812 last?



Key Words Match-Up

Write the words from the list below in the box above the correct definition for each word.

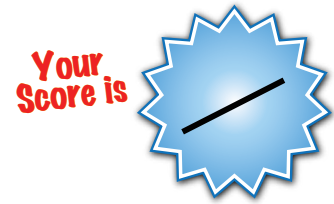
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KEY WORDS

allies
blockade
diplomats
drafted
frontier

harbor
negotiate
retreat
surrender
treaty



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1.
an area at the edge of a settled or developed territory or country

7.
nations or people that are on the same side during a war

2.
to stop fighting and give up

8.
required someone to serve in the military

3.
an official agreement between groups

9.
when an area is closed off so nothing can go in or out

4.
to move away from battle

10.
people who represent their country's government

5.
to discuss ways to solve a problem

6.
a calm body of water where ships can take shelter or tie up to the land

