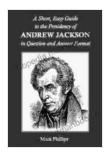
A Short and Easy Guide to the Presidency of Andrew Jackson: Questions and Answers

Andrew Jackson, the seventh president of the United States, served from 1829 to 1837. His presidency was marked by significant changes in American politics and society, and he is often credited with shaping the modern presidency. This guide provides a comprehensive overview of Jackson's presidency, answering common questions about his major accomplishments, policies, and controversies.



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Accomplishments

* Indian Removal Act (1830): Jackson signed into law the Indian Removal Act, which authorized the federal government to negotiate treaties with Native American tribes to exchange their lands east of the Mississippi River for lands west of the river. This policy led to the forced relocation of thousands of Native Americans, known as the Trail of Tears. * Bank War

(1832-1833): Jackson vetoed the renewal of the charter for the Second Bank of the United States, a central bank that had been established in 1816. Jackson believed that the bank was unconstitutional and that it gave too much power to wealthy elites. * Nullification Crisis (1832-1833): South Carolina threatened to secede from the Union over the issue of tariffs. Jackson responded by threatening to use military force to enforce federal law. The crisis was resolved when Congress passed a compromise tariff that reduced the rates. * Spoils System: Jackson introduced the practice of rewarding political supporters with government jobs, a practice known as the spoils system. This practice became common in American politics and is still used today. * Battle of New Orleans (1815): Jackson gained national fame as a military hero during the War of 1812. He led American forces to a decisive victory over the British at the Battle of New Orleans.

Policies

* Jacksonian Democracy: Jackson's presidency is often associated with the rise of Jacksonian Democracy, a political movement that emphasized the common man and expanded democratic rights. * Veto Power: Jackson used the veto power more frequently than any president before him. He vetoed 12 bills during his presidency, including the bill to renew the charter for the Second Bank of the United States. * Supreme Court: Jackson appointed six justices to the Supreme Court, including Roger Taney, who served as chief justice for 28 years.

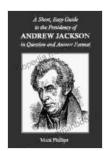
Controversies

* **Peggy Eaton Affair:** Jackson's close relationship with Peggy Eaton, the wife of his Secretary of War, caused a scandal within his cabinet and led to

the resignation of several cabinet members. * **Trail of Tears:** Jackson's Indian Removal Act led to the forced relocation of thousands of Native Americans, resulting in widespread suffering and death.

Legacy

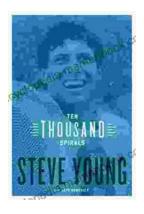
Andrew Jackson is a controversial figure in American history. He is admired by some for his strong leadership and his commitment to the common man. However, he is also criticized for his authoritarian tendencies, his treatment of Native Americans, and his expansion of the power of the presidency. Nonetheless, Jackson's presidency is considered a watershed moment in American history, and he remains one of the most influential presidents in the nation's history.



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