

## Vocabulary Definitions

Adopt:	To take up as ones own; to take on; assume
Agriculture:	The business of raising crops and livestock
Bridle:	A harness for a horse that includes a bit and reins
Capital:	A city or town that is the seat of government
Census:	A periodic counting of a population
Crop:	Cultivated/grown plants like grain, vegetables, or fruit
Decree:	A legal order
Domestic:	Having to do with the family or household; tame animals
Edible:	Something that can be eaten
Erosion:	A natural process where materials are removed or weathered away
Federal:	A form of government; the central government
Forage:	To search for food
Lichen:	A plant/fungus that grows on rocks and tree trunks
Livestock:	Domestic animals
Lush:	Thick, abundant vegetation
Militia:	A military force that is not part of the regular army that is called into service in an emergency
Physiographic:	The physical appearance of a geographic region
Plateau:	An elevated level expanse of land
Prejudice:	An unfounded bias or hatred of a particular group, race, or religion
Removal:	The relocation of the Cherokee to west of the Mississippi
Resolution:	A formal statement of a decision adopted by a group

Resource: A new or reserve supply that can be drawn upon when needed

Soil: The top layer of the earth's surface, consisting of rock and mineral particles mixed with organic matter

Stockade: Fortification consisting of a fence made of a line of stout posts set firmly for defense

Survey: A detailed critical inspection

Terrain: The surface features of an area of land

Treaty: Formal agreement between two or more states, as in reference to terms of peace or trade