DVD – "The War of 1812"

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As you watch the program, answer the following questions.

1. According to the program, why was the War of 1812 so important?

2. How are Americans "intertwined" during this time period?

3. When President Madison asks Congress to declare war, what reasons does he give for going to war?

4. Why were Federalists opposed to the war?

5. As a nation, were we ready for war? Explain.

6. How did the US military perform during the first part of the war?

7. What is the nickname for the USS Constitution?

8. Why did Cochran hate the Americans so much?

9. How was Dolly Madison different from her husband?

10. Why does Dolly Madison stay in Washington DC even as the British Army approaches?

11. What stops the fires in Washington DC?

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12. Who replaced Armstrong as the Secretary of War?

13. After burning Washington DC, what city does the British plan to attack next?

14. Who is appointed to lead the defense of Baltimore?

15. Why is Fort McHenry a strategic location?

16. Why did the military leaders at Fort McHenry want a big flag to fly over the fort?

17. How did the death of Ross impact the British Army?

18. Why were citizens of Baltimore ordered to put out their lights?

19. When was the Star-Spangled Banner officially named as the national anthem?

20. What did Connecticut consider doing during the War of 1812?

21. Who is the leader of American forces in New Orleans?

22. When was the Treaty of Ghent signed?

23. Why do the American and British soldiers continue to fight after the peace agreement has been reached?

24. What happens to the British at the Battle of New Orleans?

25. According to the program, who are the two big heroes of the War of 1812?