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Indian removal



By the end of this section, you will know about the following events in the history of Native American displacement in the United States:

- Tecumseh's Confederacy
- Indian Removal Act
- Trail of Tears
- Treaty of Fort Laramie.



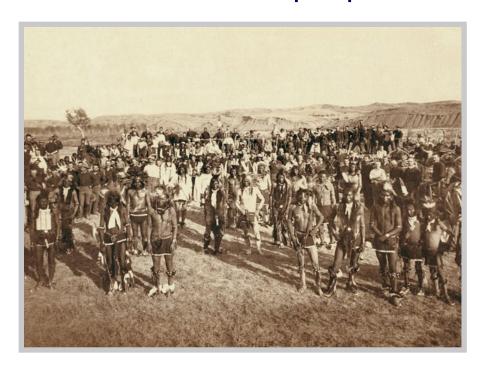




Who owns the land?



As settlers moved westward into new U.S. territories, they encountered native peoples already living on the land.



Most Americans believed that these tribes should move further west of the U.S.'s new borders into so-called Indian Territory.

While some spoke against removing Native Americans from their tribal lands, these voices were largely ignored.







Reasons for removal



Some people worried that Native Americans would perish if they remained in the East due to alcoholism, poverty and disease.

However, racism was a major factor in Native American

displacement.

Many believed that native peoples were uncivilized and dangerous.

Missionaries hoped to travel to Indian Territory to convert and educate native children and adults.









Native American displacement



When making land treaties, the U.S. government often promised native peoples that they would never encroach on new tribal lands. Some tribes accepted these promises and moved west. Some adopted European culture. Others were skeptical that the U.S. would ever stop expanding, and fought to protect their land. Press on the dates to read about what happened in each year. Press start to begin.

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The ethics of expansion



Read the following opinions about Native
American displacement and discuss how
much you agree or disagree with them. When
you have decided, drag the marker to the
appropriate place on the slider scale.

Press start to begin.

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In the first half of the 19th century, thousands of pioneers and Native Americans migrated west into unfamiliar territory. These groups were different in many ways, but they also shared some similarities.

Drag each statement to an appropriate place on the Venn diagram.

Press **start** to begin.

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