

The student will demonstrate knowledge of the major events during the first half of the nineteenth century by
a) identifying the economic, political, and geographic factors that led to territorial expansion and its impact on the American Indians (First Americans).

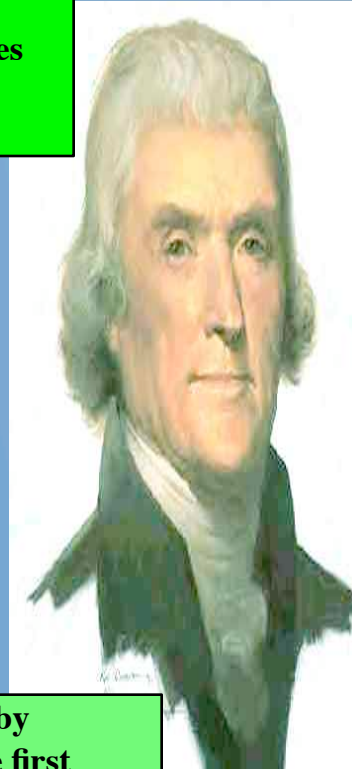
Political developments in the Early National Period



The Federalists, led by John Adams and Alexander Hamilton, believed in a strong national government and industrial economy and were supported by bankers and business interests in the Northeast.



After George Washington's presidency ended in the late 1790s, the first political parties emerged



The Democratic Republicans, led by Thomas Jefferson, believed in a weak national government and an agricultural economy. They were supported by farmers, artisans, and frontier settlers in the South.

The election of 1800, won by Thomas Jefferson, was the first American presidential election in which power was peacefully transferred from one party to another.