**Foreign Policy Jigsaw Questions**

***Monroe Doctrine: Station 1***

1. Describe what was going on in the political and military affairs of the Western Hemisphere in the early nineteenth century.
2. What was President Monroe telling the European powers about their future role in the Western Hemisphere?
3. Why did President Monroe believe that the United States could now tell the European powers this?
4. Assess the military power of the United States in regard to backing up this new policy. What did the United States hope to gain from this policy? Were they successful?
5. How could presidents use the Monroe Doctrine today as foreign policy?

***Monroe Doctrine Political Cartoon: Station 2***

1. Describe the symbolism being used in this cartoon.
2. How is America being portrayed in this image? How might it differ from how other countries perceive USA?
3. How is this interpretation a good thing? How is it a bad thing?

***Causes of the War: Station 3***

1. What was the one cause of the War of 1812?
2. Which president asked for a declaration of war?
3. Where did the U.S. decided to attack Britain?
4. In your opinion, was the U.S. justified in declaring war?

***Declaration of War: Station 4***

1. What countries fought in the War of 1812?
2. What was the president authorized to use in order to win the war?
3. What were ships not allowed to do during the war?
4. In your opinion, why did the Congress put this restriction in place?

***The Burning of Washington: Station 5***

1. According to observer Charles Ball, how effective was the militia in keeping the British away from Washington D.C.?
2. What did Madison do as the British invaded Washington D.C.?
3. Who remained at the White House as the British were invading?
4. What national treasure did Dolly Madison save before escaping?
5. In your opinion, what was the symbolic gesture of the British burning down the White House?

***The Star Spangled Banner: Station 6***

1. Why is the War of 1812 sometimes called “The Second War for Independence”?
2. Who wrote the Star Spangled Banner
3. The defense of what city inspired the song?
4. In your opinion, what was the significance of the U.S. flag still flying above the fort?

***Treaty of Ghent: Station 7***

1. Who did the President appoint to negotiate peace? Why might these men have been important?
2. What happens to all prisoners taken during the war?
3. What does the treaty say about the slave trade?
4. In your opinion, was the War of 1812 worth fighting for the U.S.?