Social Studies, Grade 8 Unit VI: Lesson B2

Debate: Political Viewpoints

Henry Clay of Kentucky, John C. Calhoun of South Carolina, and Daniel Webster of Massachusetts dominated national politics from the end of the War of 1812 until their deaths in the early 1850s.

With two other students, research the viewpoints of Clay, Webster, and Calhoun on a selected issue.

Analyze and summarize each person's views.

Debate the issue before the class with the other two students, each of you taking the position of one of the men.