

## **Defining Themes: “The Top 10”**

1. New Land/Expansion
2. Independence vs. Persecution
3. Federal (central) vs. States (individual)
4. Constructionist vs. Elastic Clause
5. Manifest Destiny
6. Democratization
7. Capitalism vs. Democracy
8. Agrarian vs. Industrial Economies
9. Reform vs. “Slavocracy”
10. Sectionalism vs. Nationalism