The Hartford Convention of 1814: Treason or Not?

1. Do Now!

What does “treason” mean?

What are some acts of treason?

Does it make a difference if a nation is at war? Please explain:

2. Fact Finder. Open the link provided, read the article about the Hartford Convention, and answer the questions below.

a. Why was the Hartford Convention held in December 1814?

b. What states were the delegates to the Hartford Convention from AND what were their views?

c. Which policies of President Jefferson and President Madison did the Federalists oppose, and why?

d. What were the outcomes of the Hartford Convention?

e. What was so ironic about the release of the final report from the Hartford Convention?

3. Analyzing a Political Cartoon. Open the link for the “Leap No Leap” cartoon and answer the following questions. (The cartoon captions are typed out in the text below the image.)

a. What is the cartoon about?

b. What side does this cartoon take about the question of whether to secede or not? Provide supportive evidence.

4. Amendments to the Constitution. Open the link for the *Amendments to the Constitution Proposed by the Hartford Convention: 1814* and answer the questions below.

Explain each of the seven proposed amendments in your own words.

First:

Second:

Third:

Fourth:

Fifth:

Sixth:

Seventh:

5. Summarize what you have learned about the Hartford Convention