

The Presidency of John Adams

Answer the following questions as you read your textbook, pages 298-301.

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NOTES

Describe the U.S.'s relationship with France during John Adam's presidency?

How did the French feel about the Jay Treaty? How did they react?

XYZ Affair
Why did Adam's send to France? Who is X, Y, and Z?

What is a "six pence"?

What does the slogan "A million for defense, but not one six pence for tribute" mean?

What did the Federalist want Congress to do as a result of the XYZ Affair?

How was the U.S. military impacted by the X,Y,Z Affair?

Why did the U.S. not declare war with France? Explain how war was avoided.

How did Adam's actions impact his presidency and political career?

Define alien -

Define sedition -

Why were the Alien and Sedition Acts created?

Which two groups were the main targets of the Act?

Explain the Alien Act.

Explain the Sedition Act.

Why was it difficult for the Republican party to apply checks and balances to the acts?

What did Jefferson and Madison do in reaction to the Alien and Sedition act?

What does nullify mean?

How did the actions of Jefferson and Madison set a precedent for future issues in the United States?
