

Michigan's Statehood - Answer Sheet

Name: _____

Let's begin with some simple math to get us started. How old is Michigan today?

Our Current Year =

Michigan's "Birth Year" = - _____

Difference =

Interesting Language

Right off the bat, we see some interesting language. What do you think these phrases really mean?

"rough and rocky"	
"upset the balance"	

Cause and Effect

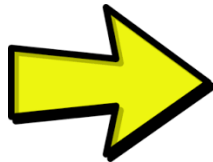
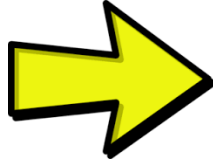
What caused the U.S. Congress to not approve Michigan's constitution?	1
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What effect did this have on the Michigan Territory?	

Problems

If Michigan became a state then number of free states and the number of slave states would not be equal.

and

Solutions



The Michigan Territory had to hold a convention and vote on a compromise over the Ohio boundary.

A Little Math...

How many slave states joined the union from 1789 to 1837?

How many free states joined the union during the same period?

Which "side" gained more?

Work Space