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The War of 1812 and the Star-Spangled Banner

Critical Thinking Questions:

(Remember to use evidence from the text to answer the questions and write your answers in complete sentences.)

1. Why did President Madison and his wife, Dolley, have to flee Washington, DC?

2. Why did the British soldiers have to wait before they could attack the city of Baltimore?

3. Why was Francis Scott Key on a British warship?

4. How did Francis Scott Key know that the British had lost the battle?

5. How long after the song was written did it become our national anthem?
