1. Why was it economically unfeasible to grow cotton before the cotton gin?

2. What made cotton so desirable?

3. How did cotton transform the value of land in the United States?

4. What is the Second Middle Passage?

5. What were the motives of free blacks in the South who owned slaves?

6. Why did planters have a very specific interest in women?

7. “Slavery does not have to mean you’re whipped every day, raped every day, tortured every day, to be incredibly destructive to one’s spirit, soul, and being”. Explain the idea of this quote in your own words.

8. Describe Nat Turner’s revolt (1831). What were Nat Turner’s motives for the slave revolt?

9. What did Southern Planters do in the wake of Turners revolt?

10. How were black people discriminated against in the North?

11. Briefly summarize Frederick Douglass’ life story.

12. What did Douglass add to the abolitionist movement?

13. Who was the leading abolitionist of the day? What does he invite Douglass to join?

14. What was the Underground Railroad?