

Slavery and the Nation's Future

Why did Dred Scott believe he should be considered free?

What were the three questions the Supreme Court had to answer in the Dred Scott case? How did they answer each questions?

1.

2.

3.

What were the bigger implications of the Supreme Court ruling?

How did "the issue of slavery in the territories continue to destroy moderation and promote militancy"? (pg. 387)

Disunion

Describe the economic situation in the 1850's in the North and the South.

What did John Brown's raid on Harper's Ferry represent to the Northerners and the Southerners?

What issue(s) split the Democratic Party at the 1860 Convention?

Why was Abraham Lincoln chosen as the Republican nominee for President?

How did Lincoln win the Presidency?

Why did South Carolina secede from the Union?

What did South Carolina and the other seceding states form?

What conflict caused the exchange of fire at Fort Sumter in April, 1861?