Ch. 16 Discussion Questions and Vocabulary

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| Southern Society  Missouri Compromise  Compromise of 1850  King Cotton  Comparisons with the North  Life for AA in the South  Nat Turner Rebellion  Uncle Tom’s Cabin  African American culture | Resistance to Slavery  Underground Railroad  Abolitionist Movement  American Colonization Society  Sojourner Truth  William Lloyd Garrison  Frederick Douglas  Gag Resolution |

1. Distinguish between each of elements of the complex structure of southern society listed below. How was the wealth and status of each group fundamentally shaped by the peculiar institution of slavery?
   1. “Cotton Is King!”
   2. The Planter Aristocracy
   3. Slaves of the Slave System
   4. The White Majority
   5. Free Blacks
2. Create a diagram to show how did the reliance on cotton production and slavery affected the South and North economically, socially, politically, and morally?
3. Compare how slavery affected the lives of African Americans in both the South and the North?
   1. Free Blacks
   2. Slaves Without Masters
   3. Plantation Slavery
   4. Life Under
   5. the Lash
   6. The Burdens of Bondage
4. How was radical abolitionism, even though a majority in both the North and South rejected it, able to transform the public atmosphere regarding slavery, creating fierce sectionalism by 1850?
   1. Early Abolitionism
   2. Radical Abolitionism
   3. The South Lashes Back
   4. Abolitionist Impact in the North
5. Distinguish between ways slavery make the South a fundamentally different kind of society from the North? In suppressing debate and free speech and declaring slavery to be a positive good, was the South turning against the ideals of the revolution.

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| Webster-Ashburton Treaty  Wilmot Proviso  Horace Greely  John Slidell  Ostend Manifesto | Matthew Perry  John Frémont  Manifest Destiny  Guadalupe-Hidalgo Treaty  54’40 or Fight |

1. What were some of the problems of the Election of 1840? (How did the Election of 1840 potentially cause a political crisis in the country?)
   1. A President Without a Party
   2. Fiscal Bank
   3. Protective Tariff
2. Did rivalry with Britain affect the American decision to annex Texas, the Oregon dispute, and other controversies of the 1840’s?
   1. War of Words with Britain
   2. Manipulating the Maine Maps
   3. The Lone Star of Texas
   4. Oregon Fever
3. Most Americans believed that expansion across North America was their destiny. Defend your opinion on if expansion was inevitable.
4. A Mandate for Manifest Destiny?
5. Misunderstandings with Mexico
6. The Mastering of Mexico
7. Compare how Manifest Destiny of the 1840’s was related to the sectional conflict over slavery? (Why was the Wilmot Proviso so divisive and explosive? Was it intended to reignite sectional controversy or actually to defuse it?)